

# Council Okays 2 Statements

NASHVILLE (BP)—Two statements to be used as a basis for planning Southern Baptist Convention agency programs for the years following 1970 have been approved here by the denomination's Inter-Agency Council.

The statements interpreted the objective of a (local) church, and the basic or functional areas of a church.

Listed as the basic or functional areas of a church were five statements: that a church should worship, witness, educate, apply, and minister.

Both the objective and the basic or functional area statements grew out of the work of 41 different "grass-roots" study groups as part of the denomination's "70 Onward" emphasis.

The 41 chairmen of the study groups refined the statements in a meeting here last May, and two public opinion surveys were conducted evaluating and validating the two statements. Approval then came from the 70 Onward Advisory Committee.

Since the two statements were to be used as the basis of planning by the 21 agencies of the SBC, the denomination's Inter-Agency Council composed of representatives from each Southern Baptist Convention agency considered the statements.

Both statements will be reported to the Southern Baptist Convention as background information when it meets in New Orleans in 1967. The statements will also be considered by the SBC Executive Committee and its program subcommittee.

Neither statement should be considered to be a definition of the church, pointed out Albert McClellan, program planning secretary for the SBC Executive Committee.

"It is understood that this does not constitute a convention definition of the church, but only a tentative basis on which the SBC agencies may base their planning," McClellan said.

He added that the 70 Onward committees felt that the

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## BJA Affirms First Amendment Stand

WASHINGTON (BP)—A national Baptist body here reaffirmed belief that the first amendment of the United States Constitution is adequate for the protection of the "free exercise of religion" for the people, including pupils in public schools.

The action was in response to a proposed "Prayer Amendment" to the Constitution introduced in the United States Senate by Sen. Everett McKinley Dirksen (R., Ill.).

The Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, in semi-annual session based its position on resolutions of its sponsoring conventions.

The Southern Baptist Convention, American Baptist Convention and the North American Baptist General Conference in 1964 passed strong resolutions affirming that the language of the first amendment does not need to be changed.

The Baptist Joint Committee also instructed its staff to engage in studies and to distribute information on the decisions of the Supreme Court affecting prayer and Bible reading in public schools.

The staff was instructed to lead out in developing ways religion can be presented on a sound educational basis in the public schools.

In 1964 a movement developed in Congress to approve a "Prayer Amendment" to the Constitution. Chief advocate for the amendment was Rep. Frank J. Becker (R., N.Y.). The movement died in the House of Representatives after seven weeks of hearings and after major religious bodies in the nation rose in defense of the

adequacy of the first amendment.

Sen. Dirksen is not attempting to force the issue again. His amendment would authorize public schools to "provide for and permit the voluntary participation by students or others in prayer."

In a special report to the Baptist Joint Committee on the new Dirksen proposal, W. Barry Garrett, director of the committee's information services, said that the new movement is essentially the same as the Becker proposal.

Until the Dirksen proposal, the "Prayer Amendment" (Continued on Page 2)

## Parochial Bus Law Attacked

WEST MILFORD, N. J. (POAU)—The legality of providing school bus routes exclusively to transport children to parochial schools here has been challenged in a lawsuit filed March 22 by two residents of this New Jersey township.

The suit, Fox and Jecker v. Board of Education, is supported by Americans United for Separation of Church and State. It is the result of a unanimous decision by the West Milford Board of Education to pay for the addition of several school bus routes exclusively for pupils attending St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church School and Our Lady Queen of Peace Church School. Initially seven new routes were added. Later three more were started.

The suit alleges that use of the taxpayer's funds in establishing new routes to provide transportation to parochial schools violates state law which requires bus transportation along already established routes for pupils attending parochial and other private, nonprofit schools.

The suit charges also that the contracts for transportation services were not approved by the county superintendent of schools, as required by state law.

It is further contended that such transportation of pupils not attending public schools violates the New Jersey Constitution and the First and Fourteenth Amendments to the Constitution of the United States.



EASTER — DAY OF JOY

(HMB Photo)

## Goldberg Asks Baptist Involvement In Peace

NEW YORK (BP)—Arthur J. Goldberg, U. S. Ambassador to the United Nations, told a group of Southern Baptists meeting here that the choice before the world today is "total peace or total destruction."

He called upon Baptists and other religious leaders to become deeper involved in the pursuit of peace around the world.

Addressing a seminar on "Christianity and World Issues," he began by quoting a Jewish prayer, "Grant us peace, thy most precious gift."

The conference was sponsored by the Christian Life Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention and met at the Church Center for the United Nations.

Goldberg told the conference, which included a visiting Jewish rabbi, that he saw no "separation between faith and the issues of our day."

"At the United Nations," he said, "We are trying to find that path to peace. We have had a measure of success."

He pointed to the cease-fire in the India-Pakistan fighting as one of the several examples of U. N. Success in the cause of peace.

"The issue in Viet Nam," Goldberg stated, "is not complicated. It is not easy to settle, but it is not complicated. It is a conflict to establish the fact that international violence is no longer acceptable."

He expressed hope that a dividend of the Vietnamese fighting would be a realization by responsible governments of the world that there are better ways than war to settle our differences.

Referring to the first Passover in Egypt as the first general strike in world history, Goldberg said, "In my tradition (Jewish) we are not pacifists."

He added, "I don't believe Baptists are either."

signed share of the U.N.'s peace-keeping expenses in the Congo and elsewhere.

Stoessinger pointed to the growing block of Afro-Asian nations in the U. S. General Assembly and to the likelihood that these nations will make their own choices, some of which will be opposed to the interest of the United States.

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## Conference On Building Set For Hub City

A statewide Baptist conference on church building will be held at the First Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, April 12, according to Bryant M. Cummings, Jackson, secretary of the Sunday School Department of the State Convention Board, sponsoring group.

Church planning and survey committees and building committees from every section of the state are expected to attend the conference, to be held from 9:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Others to attend will include architects, building contractors and material suppliers.

Visiting program personalities will include Dr. Rowland E. Crowder, field services director.

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## North American Fellowship Formed

WASHINGTON (BP)—The North American (Baptist) Fellowship, a committee of the Baptist World Alliance, officially came into being here with six Baptist bodies in the United States, Canada, and Mexico establishing the organization.

The fellowship group includes Baptist organizations with a total of 12,835,000 members, and others are expected to join.

In its initial meeting, the fellowship committee voted to encourage all Baptists in North America to participate in a "Crusade of the Americas" proposed for 1969.

The committee also adopted a resolution encouraging "pulpit exchanges, rallies, or mass meetings" in promotion of the Baptist World Alliance Sunday observance slated the first Sunday in February each year.

The action came following discussion by the committee of its possible roles in promoting the work of the Baptist World Alliance among the churches and conventions represented in the fellowship committee.

Baptist bodies participating in the fellowship are the American Baptist Convention, the Southern Baptist Convention, the Progressive National Baptist Convention, the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference, the Baptist Federation of Canada, and the National Baptist Convention in Mexico.

Elected chairman of the fellowship was V. Carney Hargroves, pastor of Second

Baptist Church of Germantown, Philadelphia, and former president of the American Baptist Convention.

Named vice chairman was Sen. Jennings Randolph of Clarksburg, W. Va., a U. S. Senator from West Virginia and representative of the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference.

The general secretary of the Baptist World Alliance, Josef Nordenhaug, and the Alliance treasurer, Carl Tjeller, both of Washington, are automatically named by the by-laws as secretary and treasurer.

Action to encourage Baptists in North America to participate in the "Crusade of the Americas" evangelistic campaign in 1969 came following the first Sunday in February each year.

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## Jackson's First Baptist Marks Pastor's 20th Year

The First Baptist Church of Jackson observed the 20th anniversary of the pastorate of Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins on last Sunday with appropriate ceremonies.

Joe Jack Hurst, chairman of the deacons, presided at the 11 o'clock worship hour.

In his introductory remarks, he said that although the anniversary was being recognized, it was a service of worship, and the congregation wanted God to be honored.

Mr. Hurst recognized Leslie

Wilkinson, who, after calling Mrs. Hudgins to the platform, presented to Dr. and Mrs. Hudgins, an engraved silver tray.

The principal speaker for the hour was Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary-treasurer of the State Convention Board.

The 7:30 evening hour was a program of Easter music, "The Seven Last Words," by Theodore Dubois.

It was presented by the

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## 87th WMU Convention Meets At Calvary

More than 1600 WMS members registered for the 87th annual convention of the Woman's Missionary Union of Mississippi, held March 29-30 at Calvary Church, Jackson. In addition, around 1300 young people, GAs, YWAs, and Sunbeams, registered for special meetings. Seventy-nine men registered on Tuesday evening, at the first special session the convention has held for men visitors.

Mrs. W. E. Hannah, Clinton, was reelected president and Mrs. Owen Cooper, Yazoo City, was renamed vice-president. Mrs. D. P. Godman, Jackson, was elected as recording secretary with Miss Sue Tatum, Yazoo City, elected as associate recording secretary.

Each opening worship period was conducted by Dr. and Mrs. Claude Rhea, of Houston, Texas. Dr. Rhea, head of the Music Department of Houston Baptist College, was guest chorister and soloist, with Mrs. Rhea conducting the devotionals.

In the Wednesday morning session, Mrs. Rhea spoke on the subject, "Wonderful Words," and her husband sang "Wonderful Words of Life." Mrs. Rhea quoted

Proverbs 25:25, "As cold waters to a thirsty soul, so is good news from a far country." She said, "Part of one's inner personality falls on those

about him. One sure way this happens is through the medium of words. Mastery of language is God's gift, and the Christian may control this

gift, to use it for good or for ill. Words are the instrument of the missionary message." Mrs. Curtis Askew, mission-

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NEW OFFICERS of State Baptist W.M.U., elected at the annual convention last week, were, from left: Mrs. Owen Cooper, Yazoo City, vice president, reelected; Mrs. W. E. Hannah, Clinton, president, reelected; Mrs. D. P. Godman, Jackson, recording secretary; and Miss Sue Tatum, Yazoo City, associate recording secretary.





**PRINCIPALS PRESENT** for the presentation of the insurance check to Woodville Heights Church were, from left: Dr. J. Clark Hensley, Hinds County superintendent; Randall Baker, vice chairman of trustees; James K. Sullivan, chairman of trustees; Bob Macchettii, Heiden Ins. Agency, Inc.; W. C. Shaddley, manager, Hattiesburg Claims Division, Security Insurance Group; Lester Holt, deacon; Rev. Tom Bryon, pastor; S. E. Davis, secretary, and Ellis Boswell, adjuster, Insurance Claims Bureau.

## Woodville Heights Receives Insurance Check

Woodville Heights Church, Jackson, last week received its insurance claim check for damage done to the church and pastor's home by the tornado that struck the state several weeks ago.

This check, including building and contents, was for \$171,000. The church has also received \$4,386.94 in contributions to be applied toward its new building.

Rev. Tom Bryon, pastor, has also received several contributions to help cover his personal losses, according to Dr. J. Clark Hensley, Hinds Superintendent of Missions.

According to John Heiden, Heiden Insurance Agency of Jackson, agent of record for the Woodville Heights Church, most people do not realize that the burden of proof of a loss is always on the policy holder.

The Woodville Heights claim was expedited by their adequate records upon which they could justify their values insured and also by the helpfulness of their architects concerning replacement values.

One of the most important requirements of the policy holder under the public insti-

tutional property plan is that they insure themselves for at least 80% of their value and that they notify their agent of record in the event there is an increase in values during the policy period.

If this requirement is not met, they may find themselves not fully covered. Most churches now do qualify under the institutional property plan and Mr. Heiden stated that he would encourage all church trustees to get in touch with their own agent of record to investigate the possibility of this plan being written on their church.

## Jackson's First Baptist Marks Pastor's 20th Year

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choirs under the direction of Cecil Harper, church music director with Miss Hazel Chisholm at the organ, and with orchestral accompaniment. Soloists were Mrs. W. J. Herm, Jim Hudgins, and Reid Moore.

Following the evening service, under the planning of the deacons, a reception, attended by hundreds, was given in Fellowship Hall.

Dr. Hudgins has during these years been active in state and denominational leadership.

He is currently chairman of the Executive Committee of the State Convention Board and was formerly president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention.

Dr. Hudgins is also at the present time chairman of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention and is a former vice-president of the SBC.

**Church Well Known**  
The First Baptist Church in Jackson has become a landmark among Mississippi Baptists as the state convention meets there annually and many other denominational gatherings are held in the church.

Dr. Hudgins became pastor of the local church in 1946, succeeding the late Dr. W. A. Hewitt.

He came from the pastorate of the First Baptist Church in Houston, Texas.

Dr. Hudgins holds the B.A. Degree from Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, Tenn., the Master of Theology degree from Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville, Ky., and received the honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from Mississippi College.

Dr. and Mrs. Hudgins have three children, Richard Douglas, William Robert and James Hudson.

The church has had a substantial growth during the past two decades.

Thirteen hundred forty-eight have been received for baptism, 5,160 by letter for a total of 6,508.

There has been an average of 6.2 additions per Sunday. Contributions the past 20 years have totaled \$6,743,822 or \$6,485 per week.

The gifts were divided as follows: Local and building expansion, \$4,508,771; Cooperative Program, \$1,169,522; other mission gifts, \$1,066,139; grand total mission contributions, \$2,255,661.

## North American

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Following a report by Wayne Dehoney, president of the Southern Baptist Convention and chairman of the SBC committee on the proposed crusade.

The general committee also recommended that the new organization be known as "The North American Baptist Fellowship, a committee of the Baptist World Alliance."

Name for the organization will be considered for final approval by the Baptist World Alliance Executive Committee, meeting in London, August 1-4.

The fellowship's general committee is composed of a minimum of three representatives from each cooperating body, with an additional representative for each million members in that body; plus the president and general secretary of the Baptist World Alliance and three North American members of the BWA Executive Committee.

The fellowship is an outgrowth of five years of inter-convention cooperation, 1959-1964, when Baptist groups in North America joined hands in the Baptist Jubilee Advance to commemorate the 150th anniversary of organization of the first Baptist mission society in America in 1814.

At the close of the five-year period, the Baptist Jubilee Advance committee suggested that the Baptist World Alliance establish a "North American Baptist Fellowship."

In order to conserve the gains and values which have resulted from the Baptist Jubilee Advance and to increase opportunities for fellowship and for sharing mutual concern.

By-laws provide that the new group shall have no authority over any Baptist church, nor undertake any work for which the member bodies are responsible.

## Conference On - -

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rector and Ellis B. Evans, consultant, of the Church Architecture Department of the Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.

Others on program will be Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary; Mr. Cummings and Dennis E. Conniff, Jr., Sunday School department associate and church building consultant, all of the Convention Board.

Dr. Crowder and Mr. Evans will be available for special conferences with church committees from 4:00 p.m. until up into the evening on Tuesday and any committees desiring appointments should contact Mr. Cummings in advance at Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, P. O. Box 530, Jackson, Miss.

The program theme will be "A Presentation of a Church Building Space Probe and a Space Construction Program." Included will be the space problem, the space probe and the space projection.

## BJA Affirms - -

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was a dead issue in the current 89th Congress. In the 88th Congress, 115 Congressmen introduced 152 resolutions on the subject. They were joined by 20 Senators.

The present Congress, however, has virtually ignored the idea with only 35 Congressmen and one Senator introducing resolutions up until the time of the Dirksen amendment.

Previous findings of the Baptist Joint Committee pointed out that the Supreme Court decisions on prayer and Bible reading did not deal with restrictions on the free exercise of religion by the people. They restricted government from imposing, regulating or supervising religious exercises in public schools.

No case involving the "free exercise of religion" in public schools has yet been decided by the Supreme Court.



Rev. David T. Cranford

## New Church Is Begun In Hinds

Sunday afternoon, March 27, in the home of Deacon and Mrs. L. P. Mulligan on Henderson Road near McClure in Hinds County, the Southern Hills Baptist Church was constituted with fifty-one charter members.

Meeting for six weeks as the Southern Hills Baptist Mission, the group has had an average Sunday School attendance of 49, with the Sunday School fully graded beginning with the second meeting.

Ten percent of tithes and offerings, which for the first six weeks has averaged nearly \$200.00 weekly, is designated for the Cooperative Program.

The church has secured a temporary pastor's home at 103 East Main Street in Clinton.

Rev. David T. Cranford has been called as pastor, and is on the field.

Mr. Cranford was formerly pastor of First Church, Canton, First Church, Charleston, and First Church, Indianola. His last pastorate before coming to Southern Hills was the Walnut Street Church, Jonesboro, Ark.

The church has adopted the Every Family Plan of sending the Baptist Record to its members.

The church has already purchased a building site at corner of McClure and Henderson Roads. The property has a building on it that will be readily converted soon into a church, Mr. Cranford said.

Until the new property is ready for use, the temporary

## Baptist Editor Resigns Post

LUTHERVILLE, Md. (BP).—Gainer E. Bryan, Jr., editor of the Maryland Baptist for more than eight years, has resigned to become editor and publisher of a weekly newspaper in his native state of Georgia.

Bryan announced here that he had accepted the position as editor and publisher of the Union-Recorder in Milledgeville, Ga., serving Baldwin County, Ga.

His resignation as editor of the 17,000-circulation publication of the Baptist Convention of Maryland is effective April 30.

Milledgeville, former state capital of Georgia, is located in the geographic heart of the state, 35 miles east of Macon, Ga. It is 25 miles from Bryan's birthplace in Riddleville, Ga.

"My calling to serve God as a Christian journalist and layman transcends any particular category of service, such as church-related or secular," he said, "I will bring to community journalism the same sense of divine calling and the same dedication to the will of God that I have felt as the editor of the state Baptist paper."

## Baptist Editor Loses Wife

WASHINGTON (BP)—Mrs. James O. Duncan, wife of the editor of the Capital Baptist, died here March 30 after an illness extending over the past two years.

Memorial services were conducted at the Luther Rice Memorial Baptist Church in Silver Spring, Md., April 1.

Officiating at the funeral were John A. Holt, pastor of the church; M. Chandler Stith, executive secretary of the District of Columbia Baptist Convention; and Wilfred E. Cholerton, pastor of Hill-andale Baptist Church.

church home will continue to be the Mulligan residence.

In choosing the site the church has followed the traditional policy of the Hinds County Baptist Association, which requires a two-mile distance between the site of a new work and that of any established church, according to Mr. Cranford.

## Goldberg Asks 'Involvement'

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**NEW YORK (BP)**—A university professor told Southern Baptist leaders that on some major issues today, Baptists "have been soft-headed and hard-hearted. But we must become tough-minded and tender-hearted."

In the keynote address to a Southern Baptist seminar on "Christianity and World Issues," sponsored by the Christian Life Commission George Schweitzer, a professor at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, called upon his fellow Baptists and all Christians to be tough-minded beyond any previous generation.

Urging intelligent involvement in the problems prevalent affecting mankind, he said, "It behooves a Christian every week to pray through Newsweek, U. S. News and World Report, and Time. We must be relevant to the day in which we live."

Scientific advances are such today, observed the chemistry professor and atomic energy scientist, "that man now has two alternatives—mass suicide or world community."

Another speaker in the Baptist seminar, David R. Mace, who spoke on "Christians Face Family Life in Transition," called attention to the consequences of "the moral revolution."

"We can no longer impose our Christian standards (of family life) on those who do not wish to accept them," Mace said.

He pointed to the necessity of educating young people to high personal standards of conduct in life.

"There is no question in my mind as to who should do sex education. It should be the church," Mace said.

Schweitzer earlier decried the lopsided expenditure of billions of dollars for military needs and space exploration.

"We give infinitesimally

small amounts for research, cancer, heart diseases and other areas which are important to our well being. To support these causes, housewives must plead their cause from door to door," he said.

On world issues—poverty, hunger, economic instability, loss of individualism, urbanization, racial justice—he suggested that Christians have a responsibility "of startling magnitude."

He told the 200 Southern Baptist laymen and ministers from across the nation that Christians must move on from pronouncements in these areas to practice.

"The world is tired of our blab talk. The world is saying 'shut-up or put up.' It is high time for the word to be made flesh."

## Shinn Speaks

Churches and church people must adapt quickly or be left in the backwash of history, Baptists were told here.

"Our God is a God of movement, a God of action, a fact pictured more strongly in Scripture than in the traditional piety of the church," said Roger Shinn, professor of applied Christianity at Union Theological Seminary here.

In the midst of revolutionary developments—the upsurge of population, speed and travel, scientific advance, the availability of vast knowledge, rising nationalism—Christians cannot simply defend the status quo, he told Baptist leaders.

When the church gets complacent and prosperous, Shinn stated, "it tends to see every change as a threat."

There has been erosion of authority, especially the authority of the past, Shinn said. Shifts in the centers of powers, rising affluence, a fading identity for the individual—these can be viewed as either threats or opportunities.

Preachers can no longer decide issues for their congregations he told the group of about 200 Baptist ministers and laymen. "Increasingly, the ethic of the Church will be formed by laymen, and by the people who know what is happening in the world about us."

Harold E. Stassen, a political figure in Minnesota, Pennsylvania and nationally and former president of the American Baptist Convention, told the seminar group, "churches can develop the kind of climate which encourages men to build for peace."

He said, "My hope is that man can come through this atomic age in peace rather than in the shadow of war."

The former governor of Minnesota called for observance of two guidelines in international affairs.

First, the principle of moral restraint should be followed in using violent force against our fellowmen.

He advocated the principle of moral responsibility for every man to work under God for the maintenance of peace.

## Harvard Dean Talks

The world must have a new type of Christian man, according to the dean of the Divinity School of Harvard University, Samuel Miller.

Miller said, "We need a new kind of saint. We need people who will face the world, not turn away from it." He called for churchmen to move to the marketplaces with their message.

The attitude today seems to be "that God is allowed to speak only in churches and if he should speak anywhere else it would be highly improbable," he said.

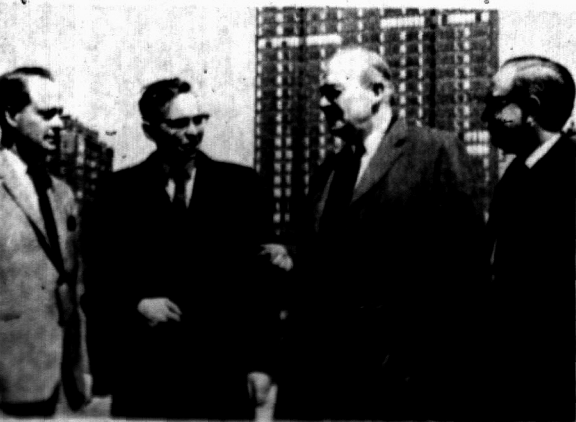
"We need to identify the unecclasiastical activity of God today," he stated.

Miller related a conversation with a theological student who wanted to know which churches in New York City were dealing meaningfully with current issues and where the student might be "shaken to the ground."

Miller stated that he could not name a single church where this kind of experience was commonplace but that he gave the student the names of four Broadway plays which might do the same thing.

## Watts Is Named BSSB Consultant

NASHVILLE — Robert A. Watts on Feb. 16 became curriculum consultant in the Sunday School Board's education division, succeeding Dr. R. H. Falwell, now director of the program section, student department.



**WORLD ISSUES** was the topic of discussion by leaders of a conference of the Church Center for the United Nations, New York. Left to right are Orin Lee Malone, attorney, El Paso, Texas; Roger Shinn, professor at Union Theological Seminary, New York; Harold Stassen, attorney, Philadelphia; and Fay Valentine, Nashville, Tenn., executive secretary of the Christian Life Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, sponsoring body for the conference. (BP Photo)



**AT STATE MUSIC EVENT**—Nine hundred sixty-six Mississippi Baptist young people were present for the State Baptist Youth Choral Festival held Saturday of last week in the Mississippi Coliseum. Looking over music for one of numbers are, from left: Paul Bobbitt, Nashville, Tenn., guest conductor; Dan Hall, state Baptist music secretary and festival director; Henrietta Markell, Clinton; David Burke, Greenwood, and Jerry Talley, minister of music, First Baptist Church, Senatobia, and festival coordinator.

## Council Okays 2 Statements

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the agencies will develop the plans for advancement for the period of 1970 onward:

### Worship Defined

**WORSHIP**—Definition: A personal encounter with God in which the Christian experiences a deepening of his faith and a strengthening of his service.

**Scope:** This is the encountering of God in spirit and in truth. This may be done in public or in private.

**WITNESS**—Definition: The proclaiming of God's work of grace in Christ for all men.

**Scope:** The communication of the message of Christ which has as its central purpose bringing all men to confess Jesus as Lord and confess him as Saviour.

**EDUCATE**—Definition: The guiding of persons in their progressive development toward Christian maturity.

**Scope:** This includes teaching, training, and personal

involvement designed to help a church and individuals grow toward a mature Christian faith and life.

**APPLY**—Definition: The practical application of Christian principles in all the issues of everyday life.

**Scope:** This involves the application of Christian principles in a family life, human relations, daily work, citizenship, and both private and public morality.

**MINISTER**—Definition: The meeting of crucial human needs in the spirit of Christ.

**Scope:** This recognizes a church must have concern for the whole man, physical as well as the spiritual. This includes the service a church and its members perform for the estranged, the destitute, the deprived, and the suffering within its own membership, in its community, and in the world.



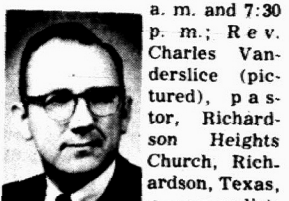
# REVIVAL DATES



**Second, Greenville:** April 10-15; Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, evangelist (pictured); Sidney McKay, Greenville, song leader; Sunday morning service at 11:00 (station WGVM) and Sunday evening service at 7:30 (station WJPR), weekday services at 9 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Rev. Roy D. Raddin, pastor.

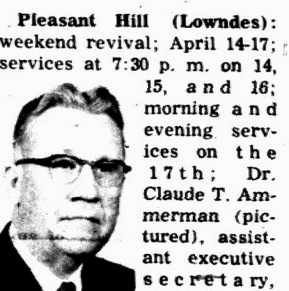
**Trinity Church, Fulton:** April 10-17; at 7:30 p. m. Evangelist will be the pastor, Rev. H. C. Thomas; Mrs. Martha Bullard, church music director, will lead the singing.

**First Church, West Point:** April 10-17; services at 7:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Rev. Charles Vandevliet (pictured), pastor, Richardson Heights Church, Richardson, Texas, evangelist; John B. Williams, music director, First Church, Tupelo, in charge of congregational singing; Rev. Jimmy H. Hipp, pastor.



**McCool Church:** April 8-10; youth-led revival; Rev. Cecil Clegg, senior at Mississippi College, evangelist; Ralph Thompson, music major at Holmes Jr. College, singer; Bettye Norris, pianist; Johnny Doude, student at Mississippi State, youth pastor; Wautine Frazier, student at Mississippi College, superintendent of revival visitation; Rev. Clyde Wroten, pastor.

**Pleasant Hill (Lowndes):** weekend revival; April 14-17; services at 7:30 p. m. on 14, 15, and 16; morning and evening services on the 17th; Dr. Claude T. Ammerman (pictured), assistant executive secretary, Ala. State Executive Board, Montgomery, Ala., evangelist; T. E. Austin, church choir director, song leader; Rev. C. A. Hess, pastor.



**First, Vardaman:** April 10-17; Rev. Emmerson Tedder, pastor of Beulah Church, Polkville, evangelist; Rev. C. E. James, pastor.

**Rolling Creek Church, Quitman:** April 10-17; Rev. Harry W. Ericson, pastor of First Church, Isle of Palms, S. C., evangelist; morning services on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 7:30 a. m.; evening services each night at 7:00; prayer time each evening at 6:30 p. m.; Harold Hinton, minister of music of the church, in charge of music; Rev. Jack W. Kinley, pastor.

**First Church, Bruce:** April 10-17; Rev. Gwin T. Turner, pastor, Bowmar Church, Vicksburg, evangelist; Rev. Ben C. Scarborough, Minister of Music and Education, Bruce, singer; Miss June Kimsey, organist; Miss Sherri Collins, pianist; Sundays, 9, 11 and 7:30; Monday - Friday, 7 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Saturday, 7:30 p. m.; Rev. Kermit McGregor, pastor.

**Temple Church, Forest:** April 17-24; two services daily 7 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Rev. Taylor Wallace, pastor of Enterprise Church, evangelist; and Sid Doty, music director of Forest Church, song leader; Rev. Sam Waggener, pastor.

**Rocky Point Church (Leake Association):** April 10-15; Rev. Oster R. Daniels, Vicksburg, evangelist; S. O. Paramore, singer; Miss Jean Carroll Higginbotham, pianist; Rev. A. A. Ward, pastor.

**Camp Ground (Yalobusha):** April 10-15; Rev. Jim Terpo, superintendent of missions, Panola Association, Batesville, evangelist; Rev. Claude Lazenby, pastor.

**Hurricane Creek (Marion):** April 10-17; Rev. Bill Murfin, pastor of Olivet Church, Sulphur, La., evangelist; Frank Lawton, minister of music at Calvary Church, Columbia, singer; Rev. Ronnie Herrod, pastor; services at 10 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

**Forest Hill, Jackson:** April 11-17; services at 6:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Rev. Parks Marler, missionary to Korea, evangelist; Charles Richey, minister of music, singer; Rev. Wilbur Irwin, pastor; theme, "The Light of the World Is Jesus"; (One of the highlights will be the Saturday night services and picnic to be held on the lakeside at Schell Lake.)

**Bradford Chapel (Calhoun):** youth revival; April 8-10; Rev. Billy Miller, Holly Ridge Church, Sunflower County, evangelist; Rev. Billy T. McDaniel, pastor.



"MEN IN MISSIONS" was observed Tuesday night. Several leaders observe attractive mission poster in church foyer. From left: Dr. Jack Walker, missionary to Tanzania, speaker; Rev. Elmer Howell, Brotherhood secretary; Rev. Robert Wall, pastor, Eastlawn Baptist Church, Kalispell, Montana; and Claude Townsend, Jackson, chairman of Pioneer Missions Committee of the State Convention Board.



SUNBEAM MEMBERS from the Jackson area "met the missionaries" Tuesday afternoon. Three Jackson members are seen meeting Mrs. Curtis Askew, missionary to Japan. They are: Kimberly and Leslie Hillman and Virginia Hurt.



MRS. RALPH DAVIS, missionary to Nigeria, shows interesting articles from that land to two Juniors during the GA meeting Tuesday night while Miss Ruth Little, state GA director, (right), looks on. Girls are Sandra Cooper and Linda Richardson.



"A SOLE TO SOUL TALK" was the name of a feature used during the YWA Gathering Tuesday night. Three principals included, from left: Jeani Hamilton and Teri Bowdon, both of Jackson and Miss Virginia Johnson, state YWA director.



TWENTY MOTHERS of missionaries were present at W.M.U. Convention and they are seen in photos above and below. Mothers are listed with name of son or daughter following. Photo above, from left, standing: Mrs. Claude B. Smith, son W. L. serving in Brazil; Mrs. C. O. Trenor, daughter Mary Lee Askew, Japan; Mrs. Sarah Cooper, daughter Betty Merritt, Nigeria; Mrs. Charlie Ware, daughter Ollie Mayhall, Nigeria; Mrs. W. L. Latham, daughter Dorothy, Brazil; Mrs. N. G. Mayhall, son David, Nigeria. Seated: Mrs. J. P. McMullen, daughter Mrs. Margaret Martin, Nigeria; Mrs. W. B. Alexander, daughter Mrs. Lewis Myers, Vietnam; Mrs. J. J. Askew, son Curtis, Japan; Mrs. Lewis Myers, Sr., son Lewis, Vietnam; Mrs. J. A. Porter, daughter, Mrs. Freda Trott, Brazil.



FROM LEFT, standing: Mrs. S. C. Reber, son Sidney, Malaya; Mrs. W. B. Sanderson, daughter Rennie, Japan; Mrs. Martin J. Gilbert, son James Paschal, Ecuador; Mrs. Annie Marler, son Parkes, Korea; Mrs. L. E. Viverette, daughter Mrs. LaVerne Applewhite, Indonesia. Seated: Mrs. F. F. Foster, son James, Philippines; Mrs. Ruby Dale Compere, son Arthur, Nigeria; Mrs. Joe Canzoneri, daughter Antonina, Nigeria; Mrs. W. C. Bule, son James appointee for Spain.



There was one father and mother combination of one missionary present and Miss Edwina Robinson, state WMU executive secretary, (left) chats with them, Rev. and Mrs. Joe Canzoneri, Clinton, parents of Miss Antonina Canzoneri, missionary to Nigeria.

## Baptist Unity Meeting Planned For April 21-22

WASHINGTON (BP) — The fourth annual Conference on Baptist Unity will be held April 21-22 at the First Baptist Church of Washington, D. C., featuring an address on "The Need for Baptist Unity" by William L. Lumpkin, pastor of Freemason St. Baptist Church, Norfolk, Va.

Sponsor of the Meeting is the Baptist Unity Movement, a voluntary group of Baptists interested in "healing the divisions among Baptists in the United States," according to a release from the organization's publicity chairman.

The organization has no official connection with either the Southern Baptist Convention or the American Baptist Convention, although ministers and laymen from both conventions are active in the group.

The group is expected to discuss proposed adoption of a constitution and articles of incorporation. Resolutions urging unity might also be considered.

Theme for the meeting will be "Pathways to Unity—Dual Alignment," said Howard Stewart, pastor of First Baptist Church, Dover, Del., and chairman of the conference.

Closing speaker for the meeting will be Sterling Price, pastor of Third Baptist Church in St. Louis, Mo.

Other speakers and panel discussion leaders will include: Herbert J. Gilmore, pastor, Chevy Chase Baptist Church, Washington, D. C.; Robert J. Smith, pastor, Salem Baptist Church, Jenkintown, Pa.; O. E. Luttrell, Norfolk, Va., and Robert Seymour, pastor, Binkley Memorial Baptist Church, Chapel Hill, N. C.

## Speaker Says Church Must Fulfill Mission

NEW ORLEANS (BP) — "When the church fulfills its purpose, the needs of the world will be met," more than 600 students attending the 12th annual Student Missions Conference at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary were told here.

Reverend Hiers, professor of missions at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky., in an address to the students placed full responsibility for meeting the future spiritual needs of the world on the shoulders of today's church vocational students.

Many of the students attending the session are volunteers for church-related vocations. They represented 42 colleges and university campuses.

Jesse Fletcher, secretary for missionary personnel for the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, emphasized the conference theme, "New Dimensions in World Missions."

Fletcher, author of the book Bill Wallace of China, pointed out that dimensions of missions are "broader, deeper, and wider" than they have ever been, and that more types of specialized vocational services are possible today for mission volunteers.

The conference, specifically designed for college youth considering a missionary vocation, included panel discussions on general qualifications and duties of the missionary, and conferences on specific areas of missionary service.

## Sunrise Service At Franklin

Franklin Church and Lula Church (Madison County) and Beulah Church, Brownsville, (Hinds County) will meet together Sunday morning, April 10, for an Easter sunrise service. The service to be held at Franklin Church, will begin at 8 p. m.

Rev. Clifford Nelson, pastor of Beulah Church, will bring the message. Lula Church will furnish the special music. Rev. W. M. Buffington is pastor at Franklin.

## Names In The News

Miss Josephine Scaggs, missionary to Africa, will speak in the chapel of Main Street Church, Hattiesburg, on Friday, April 8, at 7:30 p. m.

## DOSS SMITH, VAN WINKLE DEACON DIES

Funeral services for W. Doss Smith, 65, of 1318 Britt Street, Jackson, were conducted Wednesday, March 30, from Wright and Ferguson Funeral Chapel, with Rev. H. A. Milner, pastor of Van Winkle Church, officiating, assisted by Rev. Bill Causey, pastor of Parkway Church.

Mr. Smith died suddenly March 28 at the family residence after suffering a heart attack.

The son of a Baptist preacher, he was a native of Laurel, but had made his home in Jackson for the past 28 years. Prior to retirement he was credit manager for Fox Furniture Company of Jackson. He was a deacon and an active member of Van Winkle Baptist Church. His pastor said of him, "He loved God, he loved his church, he loved his pastor, he loved lost souls, he loved his family, he loved his neighbors."

Survivors include his wife, the former Eleanor Lowe, native of Laurel, who for 21 years was office secretary for the Baptist Record; one son, Edgar J. Smith of Mobile, Alabama; one daughter, Mrs. Clifton Nettles of Jackson; one brother, A. J. Smith of Quitman; three grandchildren, Cynthia Nettles of Jackson and Sheryl and Edgar J. Smith, Jr. of Mobile.

Interment was in Lakeview Memorial Park.

She will show the film, "Roads to Heaven," which has been released to her by the Columbia Broadcasting Company and has not been shown to any other group as of this date. It is scheduled to be a part of a CBS television program in the near future.

**REV. RALPH WILLIAMS,** pastor of Trinity Church, Eudora, is giving much of his time to preaching in revivals. He has some open dates and can be reached at 3123 Birchfield Drive, Memphis, Tenn.

**Dr. J. Clark Hensley,** Hinds County superintendent of missions, is in Donelson, Tenn., this week where he is preaching for a revival meeting in the First Baptist Church of that city.

**Paul Lee,** ten-year-old pianist, was presented in a recital at Main Street Church, Hattiesburg, on Friday, April 1, at 7:30 p. m. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Lee, and the pupil of Nancy R. Dunford.

**Dr. Charles E. Martin,** of Clinton, head of the Department of Foreign Languages at Mississippi College, is author of an article in the March issue of the Southern Baptist Educator. The title is "The Christian College Teacher and the Pursuit of Excellence."

**Wade Young** of Tupelo was licensed to the gospel ministry March 8, by Trinity Church, Monroe County Association. Rev. Thomas Warren is pastor.

**Rev. Milton Brister** has accepted the pastorate of the Antioch Church, Lawrence Association. He is a student at Whitworth College.

## 87th WMU Convention Meets At Calvary

(Continued from page 1)  
ary to Japan, dressed in a purple and white kimono, spoke on "One Pearl of Great Price." She said, "China is famous for her jade, other countries for rubies, sapphires, diamonds. But Japan is famous for her pearls. Japan is the pearl of great price, and Christ has paid the price for that pearl already. But millions do not know that He has paid the price for them."

**Dr. R. L. Lambright,** missionary to Indonesia, spoke on "Preparing Your Child for Foreign Missions." He said, "How many of you have ever seriously asked your children, 'Would you like to be a foreign missionary some day?' Away from the television set, have you taken time to talk to your children about missions?"

On Wednesday afternoon, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Davis, and Mr. and Mrs. David Mayhall, missionaries, dressed in Nigerian costume, conducted an oral "View of Nigeria," touching on medicine, education, missionary homemaking, and church development.

Mrs. Davis explained why her husband wore beads and a jeweled cap, when Mr. Mayhall did not. She said that only chiefs can wear these.



SEVERAL LEADERS are seen just before opening of convention Tuesday morning. From left: Dr. Joe Tuten, pastor; Mrs. W. E. Hannah, Clinton, president; Miss Martha Hairston, missionary to Brazil; Miss Alma Hunt, executive secretary SBC WMU; Dr. Claude Rhea, director Division of Fine Arts, Houston Baptist College, Houston, Texas, and Mrs. Rhea.

Mrs. Mayhall talked about her duties as a missionary homemaker, including teaching her children. She said, "What do you do when you tell your child she must take an exam that morning, and she says, 'I don't want to!'"

Miss Martha Hairston, missionary to Brazil, gave a vivid picture of the phenomenal growth of Baptist work in that country.

Dr. Jack Walker, medical missionary to Tanzania, told the group Tuesday night that "The testimony of the ministry of a Christian hospital,

provided by Christian people in America, is the one argument hardest for the non-Christian African to refute."

The theme of the convention program, planned by Miss Edwina Robinson, executive secretary, Mississippi WMU, was "Having the Everlasting Gospel."

Other program guests included Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Applewhite, missionaries to Indonesia; Dr. Curtis Askew, missionary to Japan; Rev. and Mrs. Parkes Marler, missionaries to Korea; Dr. Foy Rogers, Jackson, secre-

tary, Department of Cooperative Missions; Dr. Joe H. Tuten, pastor, Calvary Church, Jackson; Rev. and Mrs. Robert Wall, Easthaven Baptist Church, Kalispell, Montana.

Miss Alma Hunt, Birmingham, executive secretary of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Southern Baptist Convention, spoke at both morning sessions. She said:

"I believe that woman's search for significance is satisfied when she finds herself significantly involved in God's world plan."



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JOE T. ODLE, Editor

## Twentieth Anniversary

Few of God's ministers have the experience of pastoring one church for a period of twenty years, and fewer still are those who hold such position in a church whose ministry extends to an entire state, and far beyond its borders.

Last Sunday marked this experience in Mississippi, when Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins and First Baptist Church, Jackson, observed the twentieth anniversary of the beginning of his pastorate there.

First Baptist, Jackson, holds a unique position in the state of Mississippi. Few churches in the entire Southern Baptist Convention influence an entire state, as much as does this one. With its building standing beside the State Capitol, and in the heart of the state's largest city, the church influences the spiritual life of the entire commonwealth. Located, also near the center of Baptist work in the state, it likewise has a mighty influence there. Moreover, for more than twenty years the church has been host to the annual state Baptist convention, and numerous other important denominational meetings, giving it a personal touch with Baptists all over the state.

Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, as pastor of this church, has made it an even greater influence than its mere location would have warranted. The dynamic leadership, and spiritual strength of this pastor, building upon the foundations laid by those who preceded him, has made the church one of the great churches in the Southern Baptist Convention, so that its influence is now more far-reaching than ever before in its history.

Dr. Hudgins not only preaches to one of the largest congregations in Mississippi, and directs one of the biggest church programs to be found in this area of the South, but he also is counted as pastor and friend by hosts of other people. This is brought about, in part, by the vast radio and television audience which hears and sees him every Sunday, and also by his participation in denominational, general religious, and civic affairs.

During these twenty years Dr. Hudgins' leadership has been felt, and he has been used, not only in this state, but far beyond. His influence today, in Jackson, in Mississippi, and across the nation, among Baptists, and among others as well, is greater than it ever has been before.

Dr. Hudgins is an eloquent and effective preacher of the Word of God, a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ, an able administrator, a devoted pastor, a dynamic leader, an unselfish and tireless worker, and a great Christian.

We salute him, his family, and First Baptist Church, on this anniversary occasion.

## WE LIVE TOO FAST—

"In the name of Jesus Christ, who was never in a hurry, we pray O God, that Thou wilt slow us down, for we know that we live too fast. With all of eternity before us, make us take time to live . . . time to get acquainted with Thee, time to enjoy our blessings, and time to know each other." — Peter Marshall

## PERSPECTIVE

Robert J. Hastings

## STERILIZED OR FRUITIFIED?

"A man's life must not only be sterilized from evil; it must be fruitified to good." So observes William Barclay. And so noted Jesus when he said that a man freed of one unclean spirit will soon be plagued with seven more unless he fills his life with positive good. The farmer who cleans the trash from his cistern must also refill it with fresh water.

Negativism has never been, is not, and can never be the final answer in Christian morality. Just to be "again" anything is not enough. To illustrate, who is wealthy? The man with no bills? Hardly. He could be penniless and debtless at the same time.

Who is healthy? A baby with no infections, no temperature? Hardly. Robust health is identified with energy and vitality as well as the absence of disease.

Who is happy? The housewife with no problems? Not necessarily. Some people have no real worries; yet live on a low emotional plane. Who is well-educated? The young man with an open mind, who has no prejudices or superstitions? Hardly. His mind could be empty as well as open.

Who is popular? The teenager with no problems? Not necessarily, since it is impossible to have neither friends nor enemies.

Popularity, wealth, happiness, health, you name it! All depend on positive assets, not negativism.

Likewise with morality. The question is not so much what we are against as what we are for. "A man's life must not only be sterilized from evil; it must be fruitified to good."

Four persons have been added to the Assemblies of God home missionary corps, making 336 under appointment by the denomination.

## SOUTHERN BAPTIST ADVANCE

(Last article of a series)

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## Ecumenism

The Christian word of the hour seems to be unity. Ecumenism is in the air, and Christian groups across America, and around the world, continue to talk about and press for unity and union. To many this seems to be far more important than acceptance of the Bible as the Word of God, or obedience to the Saviour's command to evangelize.

Already such groups as the National Council of Churches and the World Council of Churches, provide cooperation, and some union, on a national and world scale, and large segments of the Christian world cooperate through them.

New movements are astir which have brought the uniting of some denominations in recent years, and major mergers are now being considered. These are not only of groups in the same denominational families, but also of those with wider diversity of doctrine and practice. A consultation on church union is now in progress, which proposes to bring several denominations together, in what would be the largest Protestant group in America.

## Southern Baptists Aloof

Southern Baptists have remained aloof from these ecumenical movements, even though some Baptist groups have entered into them. The basic reasons for the Southern Baptist position are the concept of the autonomy of the local church, and the fact that most ecumenical movements have not based their programs upon the Word of God. Denominations can believe almost anything about the Bible, and the doctrines of the Bible, and still participate in the groups.

The vast majority of Southern Baptists cannot accept such a basis of union or unity. They believe that the Bible is the Word of God, and long have espoused Christian unity based upon full acceptance of the Bible's teachings. To them any other basis of unity is meaningless and unacceptable.

This position has kept Southern Baptists out of the various councils of churches, conferences on church union, and other unity movements. This does not mean that they do not have fellowship with other Christians, for they work with them in many ways and through many channels, but they simply refuse to accept any kind of so-called unity program, which calls for compromise of doctrinal position, or loss of the final authority of the local church.

## Not In Councils

Southern Baptists are not members of either the National Council of Churches, or the World Council of Churches. Furthermore, there is not the slightest chance that the convention will be a part of either of these groups at any time in the foreseeable future. Authority for such cooperation would have to come from the messengers from the churches, and any person familiar with Southern Baptist churches knows that they are not about to submit themselves to even the slightest control of some small ruling group, either in the convention itself, or on some national or world interdenominational scale.

When the average Southern Baptist reads some of the "official pronouncements" on political, social, and other issues, being made by the ruling boards of the National and World Councils, and of some of the activities being promoted by them, he is most thankful

that Southern Baptists are not a part of such groups.

Neither are Southern Baptists having any part, even as observers, in the Consultation on Church Union now being carried on by the Methodists, Episcopalians and other groups. The American Baptist Convention has had some observers at these meetings, but recently its executive council voted not to enter into the consultation as anything more than observers, even though some persons were urging them to do so.

## Some Groups Could Unite

Actually, an outsider can see little reason why at least some of these denominations in the consultation should not get together, since they hold so many similar doctrinal positions. All of them practice infant baptism, sprinkling for baptism, hold to an Arminian theology which teaches that works are a part of the plan of salvation, teach that the ordinances have value either in salvation or add something to salvation, teach falling from grace, etc.

One can even see some basis for the conferences between Roman Catholicism and the Episcopal Church of England, since the Episcopal Church came out of the Roman church, and holds some doctrines which are very similar. Of course, in all probability, those who discuss union with Rome must be willing to accept her teachings on the pope, Mary, the church, etc., but these do not seem to be serious stumbling blocks to at least some of the participants.

## Baptists Could Not Participate

Certainly, no person holding to Baptist principles could seriously enter into either of these discussions. To do so would be to give up every distinctive which makes Baptists, and when those are given up, those who have espoused them no longer are Baptists. How could any true Baptist accept salvation by works, infant baptism, a creedal theology, sacramentalism, falling from grace, etc.? When it is suggested that a Baptist voice is needed in such discussions, we cannot refrain from asking, "How could it be an honest voice, unless there is willingness to give up the Baptist position, and sincere purpose to enter into the union?"

An Episcopal Bishop of a past generation is reported to have said that there needed to be only three denominations. They would be the Baptists on one side and Roman Catholics on the other, with all of the others in one group between the two. He said, "The differences between the others is the difference between tweedle-dee and tweedle-dum." That, of course, simplifies the issue too much, but there is much truth in such a statement.

## Southern Baptist Position

If these other groups feel that they can and should get together, they are perfectly free to do so. Southern Baptists, however, will make their greatest contribution to the witness for Christ, and to the spiritual needs of the world, by continuing to maintain their complete loyalty to the doctrines of the New Testament, and by continuing to refuse to enter into any entangling alliance, which would call for the slightest compromise of their position.

At the same time they must maintain broad fellowship with, and deep Christian love for, all persons who accept Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord. Moreover, they should continue their belief in absolute freedom of religion for all men, including those who hold other doctrinal positions, or none at all. This always has been the Baptist position, and it must continue today.

As long as Southern Baptists, and other Baptists, do these things, they will have a message the world needs, and that the world will want to hear. If they give up this position, neither the world nor God will need them longer.

interested in the churches and will conscientiously guard against such unchristian practices. The Foundation Secretaries need our understanding, prayers, and cooperation. They are not smokers working against, but Christian gentlemen working for all that we believe in and support.

Carey E. Cox, Pastor  
First Baptist Church  
Brandon, Mississippi.

## BAPTIST OR PROTESTANT?

Dear Editor:

An article in the Baptist Record of March 24 regarding the Riverside Association referred to the First Church of Dallas, Texas, as the "largest Protestant church in the world." Shouldn't it have said the largest Baptist church?

I have read some Baptist history, and I have been taught by several reliable Baptist ministers that Baptists are not Protestants. Only such groups that once were a part of the Roman Catholic denomination and left it in protest are Protestants.

Baptists, although called by several other names before being named Baptists by their enemies, were in existence preaching the doctrine of Jesus Christ hundreds of years before Catholicism came into full development under Gregory.

I am proud of my Baptist heritage, and I do not wish to be called by any other name. So often we all are asked our religious affiliation thusly: Catholic or Protestant? My answer is "Neither. I am a Baptist." Let's not get lost in the throng.

Mrs. J. M. Lenaz  
Gulfport, Miss.

(Editors' Note: Baptists are divided on the issue of whether they should be called Protestants. Many Baptists feel that they should, while others believe that they are successors, not of those who came out of Rome in the Reformation period, but of those groups who through the ages have refused to be a part of Rome. The world usually speaks of all non-Catholic groups as Protestants.)

## The Baptist Forum

Wounded Soldier  
Doesn't Believe  
God Is Dead

Dear Dr. Odle:

I recently received a letter from my former roommate at the New Orleans Seminary, Chaplain Wayne Stewart who has been in Viet Nam for some time. I thought you might be interested in a couple of paragraphs in the letter that have reference to the current "God is dead" philosophy. He recently was involved in a special campaign in Viet Nam and saw and ministered to all the wounded coming through the medical unit.

His observations are as follows:

Some "ivy towered" theologians are telling us "God is dead." That's very interesting. I'm sure they will have a hard time convincing most of the patients here at "B" Med. I wonder who it is I have been talking to all these years. I sure hope God doesn't find out he's dead. These same theologians say religion isn't real and relevant. I wish for 2 hours they had been here during operation "Utah." They would have changed their tune.

Last night, Ken, from 12:30 a.m. until 3:30 a.m. I was in the operating room with a 20 year old Baptist lad from Wyoming. He had stepped on a land mine and lost his right foot. He asked me to stay with him during the operation and how can you say no? He was given a spinal so was conscious the entire time they were cleaning his wounds and making a usable stump of his right leg. In spite of the fact he had only one leg left he doesn't think God is dead.

Sincerely,  
Kenneth Roberts  
First, Cathage

Foundation  
Executives Meet

—Attending the annual meeting of the Association of Baptist Foundation Executives in Little Rock, Arkansas, March

## HE AROSE

"NOW UPON THE FIRST DAY OF THE WEEK, VERY EARLY IN THE MORNING, THEY CAME UNTO THE SEPULCHRE. . . AND THEY FOUND THE STONE ROLLED AWAY. . . AND THEY ENTERED IN, AND FOUND NOT THE BODY OF THE LORD JESUS." — LUKE 24:1-3



## New Books

**ON BENDED KNEE** by Nancy White Thomas, illustrated by Charlene Miller (John Knox Press, 61 pp., \$2.00)

New insights into the subject of prayer, clearly and simply written.

**FORGIVENESS AND HOPE** by Rachel Henderlite (John Knox Press, paperback, 127 pp., \$1.45)

The author discusses the theological basis for Christian education. One chapter, of especial note, bears the title, "We Are All Barabbas."

**THE BIBLE IN CHRISTIAN TEACHING** by Holmes Rolston (John Knox, paperback, \$1.45, 104 pp.)

This book gives an affirmative answer to the question, "Can a group of writings from some 2,000 years ago have any relevance for the contemporary man?"

**SPEAKING WITH TONGUES** by Stuart Berge

ma (Baker, 26 pp., 85 cents)

The writer, a medical doctor and psychiatrist and former medical missionary, compares the glossolalia described in Scripture with modern glossolalia, and examines some physiological and psychological implications of modern glossolalia.

**THREAT TO FREEDOM** (Standard, paperback, 35 cents)

This is the story, in picture form, of communism as told to a boy and girl by their Sunday-school teacher. The children learn about the history of communism and what they can do to help defeat this threat to freedom.

**WHILE YOU'RE SICK** by Kathleen Staden (John Knox, 63 pp., \$1.95)

This book will be good entertainment for children who are sick. It contains pictures and poems and "thoughts" and pastimes especially for those in bed.



A recent Gallup poll reveals that at least twelve persons in every hundred admit that liquor has been a cause of trouble in their families. The latest Gallup poll audit on drinkers revealed that the proportion who drink today is at the highest point in twenty years—65%. The poll also revealed that "dry" sentiment in the South has dropped sharply over the past six years.

"The right of privacy is precious and should not be sacrificed to the eavesdroppers' needs without compelling reason"—stated the Federal Communications Commission in a ruling aimed at modern-day eavesdroppers who use such listening devices as wired olives in martinis and bugged packs of cigarettes. The rules, effective April 8, exempt certain law enforcement eavesdropping considered legal.

Nevada, the only "wide-open" gambling state, derives less than one-fifth of its total state tax collections from gambling taxes, while grants and subsidies received by Nevada from the Federal Government account for 27% of Nevada's total general revenues.

The religious complexion of the 89th Congress is as follows: 404 Protestants, 109 Roman Catholics, and 17 Jews. Six Congressmen gave no designation of a religious preference. In both Houses of the present Congress there are 55 Baptists.

According to a statistical summary released by the Southern Education Reporting Service, the percentage of Negroes now attending schools with whites in southern and border states is as follows: Texas—17.2%; Oklahoma—38.3%; Missouri—75.1%; Kentucky—78.4%; West Virginia—79.9%; Virginia—11.5%; Maryland—55.6%; Delaware—83.6%; D.C.—84.8%; Arkansas—4.38%; Louisiana—0.69; Mississippi—0.59%; Alabama—0.43%; Tennessee—16.3%; Georgia—2.66%; Florida—9.76%; South Carolina—1.46%; North Carolina—5.15%.

Calendar of Prayer  
(This list is not compiled according to birthdays.)

April 11—E. T. Jenkins, staff, Children's Village; Obra Quave, faculty, William Carey College.

April 12—John F. Carter, faculty, Clarke College; Bradley Pope, Baptist student director; Mississippi College.

April 13—Robert Smith, Lebanon associational Sunday school superintendent; James Coleman, faculty, Mississippi College.

April 14—Ben Goddard, Greene-Wayne superintendent of missions; Mrs. Katherine Caine, faculty, Gilfoy School of Nursing.

April 15—Mrs. Jean Gullette, Baptist Building; Dan C. Hall, Baptist Building.

April 16—Hilda Jane Jones, Baptist Book Store; Mrs. Carla Freeman Benson, staff, Blue Mountain College.

April 17—Ollie Mae Reaves, staff, Children's Village; J. H. Street, Clarke College staff.

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# Southern Baptists Different?

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By Robert Witty  
Jacksonville, Florida  
Will Southern Baptists join the ecumenical movement? Are there danger signals to Southern Baptist spirituality? Do Southern Baptists have an effective program of doctrinal instruction? Are Southern Baptists actually Fundamentalists? Do Southern Baptists have doctrinal uniformity?

Answers to these disputed questions now face factual challenge. Charles Y. Glock, director of Survey Research Center, University of California at Berkeley, collaborated with its research analyst, Rodney Stark, to uncover the facts. The original survey, involving a random sample of church members in four metropolitan counties in Northern California, was repeated on a national sample. Rand McNally recently published the survey results in their book, *Religion and Society in Tension*. One summary was published by *Trans-Action* and a shorter one by *The National Observer*. Fairness demands a just evaluation to this scholarly research.

## Basic Uniformity

First, Southern Baptists do hold to a basic doctrinal uniformity. Compared with 41% of Congregationalists or 71% of all Protestants, 99% of Southern Baptists believe in God. Compared with 21% of Congregationalists, 34% of

Methodists, and 57% of all Protestants, 99% of Southern Baptists believe in the virgin-born, miracle-working Son of God, Jesus Christ. As these researchers see it, "The Southern Baptists remain rockbound in their faith in Jesus for all questions." 97% of Southern Baptists believe in a life beyond death and 92% in the real existence of the devil; 97% also hold that belief in Jesus Christ is necessary for salvation. No major denomination displays greater doctrinal uniformity.

Second, on the basis of doctrinal position, Southern Baptists, whether we like it or not, receive the label of Fundamentalists. "The Fundamentalists include," declare Glock and Stark, "the Missouri Synod Lutherans, the Southern Baptists, and a host of small sects." Southern Baptists, I believe, prefer the small rather than the capital "f."

Third, such uniformity in essential doctrines demonstrates the effectiveness of the teaching and preaching program developed by Southern Baptists. Even our negative positions are uniformly held. Only 15% of Southern Baptists hold that drinking liquor, only 5% that practicing artificial birth control, only 18% that discriminating against other races, only 10% that being anti-Semitic would

definitely prevent salvation. Southern Baptist methods have succeeded in setting a uniform doctrinal pattern.

## Danger Signals

Fourth, certain danger signals should arouse active concern. For example, only 61% of Southern Baptists believe that "holding the Bible to be God's truth" is absolutely necessary. Does this indicate a growing doubt concerning the foundation of our faith? Only 41% believe that "being completely ignorant of Jesus as might be the case for people living in other countries" would definitely prevent salvation? While 39% believe this ignorance would probably prevent salvation, this leaves 20% who seem to believe in a possible salvation apart from Jesus. Does this indicate a growing doubt concerning a unique salvation? Are influences at work among Southern Baptists to undermine our doctrinal position?

Fifth, ecumenicity cannot thrive among Southern Baptists. Doctrinal chasms separate Southern Baptists from the liberal advocates of church unity. The liberal denominations cannot accept the Southern Baptist theological positions nor can Southern Baptists renounce their faith. So far, as Glock and Stark declare, Southern Baptist "commitment to traditional

Christian theology has been virtually impervious to change." Without drastic doctrinal change Southern Baptist ecumenicity is a fantasy.

## Suggested Steps

On the basis of these factual answers, certain steps are suggested:

First, Southern Baptists may improve but should not drastically modify its time-proven program of teaching and preaching Christian doctrine.

Second, Southern Baptists should evaluate factors which cast doubt upon the infallibility of the Bible and upon the necessity of salvation in Christ only.

Third, Southern Baptists should accept the implications of their fundamentalist position and propagate their historic faith.

Fourth, Southern Baptists, recognizing their doctrinal unity, should concern themselves with increasing their use of God's spiritual dynamics for the effective propagation of their message.

Fifth, Southern Baptists, through the Research and Statistics Department of the Sunday School Board, might profitably undertake a more comprehensive survey to provide its own factual analysis of the important issues raised by the research made by Glock and Stark.



EACH EASTER SEASON the world-famous paintings, "Christ Before Pilate" (top photo) and "Christ on Calvary" (bottom photo) are displayed in the Grand Court of the John Wanamaker Store, Philadelphia, Pa. Thousands of visitors view the masterpieces by the Hungarian artist, Michael de Munkacsy. Originally purchased by the founder of Wanamakers, John Wanamaker, in 1887 and 1888, the 13 by 20 foot canvases were exhibited in Europe and later across the United States, and then hung in Mr. Wanamaker's country home.

# Blue Mountain's Helen Keller

By Anne Washburn McWilliams  
Note: April 14 is the 100th anniversary of the birth of Anne Sullivan, the great "Teacher" of Helen Keller. Perkins School for the Blind at Watertown, Massachusetts, and the Industrial Home for the Blind, Brooklyn, New York, are sponsoring the Anne Sullivan Centennial Commemoration in The National Cathedral, Washington, D. C., where Miss Sullivan is buried. The following story concerns Tommie Goins, deaf-blind senior at Blue Mountain College, one of the first persons ever to receive the Helen Keller Foundation scholarship.

Frankly I was nervous as I turned my Falcon through an entrance gate and drove up the steep hillside to Blue Mountain College. For days I had looked forward to this interview. Yet I was suddenly filled with dread. How could I talk with a girl who could neither see nor hear? I had come to meet Tommie Goins, the first deaf-blind person from the South (and the fifth person ever) to receive the Helen Keller Foundation scholarship. She had recently been elected to WHO'S WHO IN AMERICAN COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES.

Mrs. George Owens of Pontotoc opened the door to Whitfield Hall, and walked with me to Tommie's room. A former Blue Mountain student

and an employee of the state Rehabilitation Division for the Blind, Mrs. Owens had been Tommie's counselor for ten years. Now she reassured me, "Don't worry!"

"Come in!" called a warm pleasant voice. I marveled. How did she who was deaf know we had knocked? Mrs. Owens explained that the powerful hearing aid built into Tommie's glasses, would pick up not actual sounds, but vibrations, which she could detect through bone conduction.

Hesitantly I entered the many-windowed room. Before me stood a petite young brownette neatly and fashionably dressed.

Tommie had been expecting me. Mrs. Owens took her hand and rapidly spelled into the open palm that I had arrived. The young lady smiled in welcome, her large blue-green eyes lighting behind thick lenses. I knew that with one eye she could distinguish a very few rays of light, enough to tell daylight from dark, and with the other could see nothing at all.

I noted that her hands, though small, looked strong, yet graceful and sensitive. Mrs. Owens scribbled me a note: "Size 6 glove, size 4AAA shoe; five feet tall; weighs 105."

Mrs. Owens relayed my questions by manual alphabet. Occasionally Tommie could read Mrs. Owens' lips, with her fingertips against

the speaker's throat.

As Tommie spoke in an expressive, well-modulated voice, I realized that I had never heard a deaf person talk with such distinct enunciation. Mrs. Owens accounted for this: "She has amazing control of her throat and vocal muscles, and with her high intelligence, knows which muscles to use for correct volume."

Bookshelves covered most of one wall. The \$136 Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary, in Braille, alone contains 36 volumes and took 14 feet of shelf space. The Holy Bible, in Braille, filled a large part of another shelf. In Boston and New York, text books are put into Braille by volunteer workers who perform their service free. When Tommie completes her study of the textbooks they are mailed back to the source of origin.

Intrigued by a display of stuffed animals, I mentioned these Tommie chuckled. "Oh at first I thought they were nonsense! But so many people gave me dogs and teddy bears and monkeys that I decided collecting them might be a nice hobby."

She held up an orange-colored dog and pointed to the "ear" on his cheek; she mischievously told me his story: "I was downtown before Christmas, and I saw the poor dog crying, because he wanted a home. I wanted to buy him, but I was saving my money for Christmas, and couldn't buy him then. I kept worrying about the poor homeless pup until four freshmen bought him and gave me my Christmas gift two weeks early! I named him Lucifer McMillan Pughbauer, a combination of the four girls' names."

The Helen Keller Foundation scholarship provides \$1000 a year for a companion. During college years, Tommie has had three companions, all daughters of Baptist pastors: Gwen Howell, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Herbert Howell of Pontotoc County, (freshman and sophomore years); Temple Triplett, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. J. N. Triplett of Newton (during a summer session); and Gayle Douglas, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Tom Douglas of Pass Christian, manager of Gulfshore Baptist Assembly (junior and senior years.)

Tommie's companion, who lives in an adjoining room, is not her servant. Rather, Tommie tidies her own room and in making her bed can leave a striped spread perfectly straight. She does her own hair and make-up. On shopping trips she chooses her own wardrobe. Her companion escorts her to classes, to the dining hall, and to other meetings and activities, spelling conversations into her hand.

Says Gayle: "Early in the morning I hear Tommie in the shower, quoting poetry—that's what she does instead

of singing in the shower—and when we have fire drills late at night, I shake Tommie awake and spell 'fire' in her hand. This is our pre-arranged signal. Sometimes I can't remember how to spell, but usually Tommie gets the message!"

In the dining room, Gayle arranged Tommie's food clock-style on the plate—potatoes at three o'clock, bread at six, and so on. While both of them ate, Gayle translated the table talk, and Tommie entered into it naturally.

If I had thought Tommie would be shy and retiring, I was mistaken. She is dramatically outgoing, poised, well-adjusted. She enters with enthusiasm into campus activities. If she is asked to take part in a college fashion show, write for the college newspaper, or give an early morning devotional, she is wholly

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## FORMOSA CHURCH SPONSORS SERVICEMEN'S CENTER

TAIPEI, Taiwan (BP)—The Calvary Baptist Church here is soon to begin sponsoring a Christian Servicemen's Center in Taipei for servicemen who come to Taiwan from Viet Nam for rest and recreation.

In a letter to the treasurer of the Southern Baptist Convention in Nashville, the treasurer of the Taiwan Baptist mission said that the new servicemen's center "will be a very helpful ministry to our men who are doing so much for us in Viet Nam."

Calvary Baptist Church is one of two churches on the island of Taiwan (Formosa) which ministers mostly to servicemen, their dependents and other American civilians in Taiwan, said Harry L. Raley, treasurer for the Taiwan Baptist mission work in a letter to Porter W. Routh, treasurer of the SBC.

Raley sent a check for \$1,000 from the Calvary Baptist Church to the Southern Baptist Executive Committee in Nashville as the church's contribution to world missions through the SBC Cooperative Program budget plan.

## 'He Is Not Here'

Now upon the first day of the week, very early in the morning, they came unto the sepulchre, bringing the spices which they had prepared, and they found the stone rolled away from the sepulchre. They entered in and found not the body of the Lord Jesus. Behold, two men stood by them in shining garments: And said unto them, "Why seek ye the living among the dead? He is not here, but is risen."—Luke

As dedicated men of every generation know, the path of faith often leads the faithful on a lonely journey.—R. E. Glaze, Jr. in "No Easy Salvation," (Broadman Press, 1966).

# SCRAPBOOK



THE GARDEN OF GETHSEMANE, JERUSALEM—All those who journey, soon or late, must pass within the garden's gate; must kneel alone in darkness there, and battle with some fierce despair. God pity those who cannot say, "Not mine but thine," who only pray: "Let this cup pass," and cannot see the purpose of Gethsemane.—Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

## He Is Risen

Christ is risen  
Joy to thee, mortal!  
Empty his prison,  
Broken its portal:  
Rising, He giveth  
His shroud to the sod;  
Risen, He liveth,  
And liveth to God.  
—Goethe

## Ye Bells Of Easter

Death hath lost its bitter sting.  
Ring, ye bells of Easter, ring!  
Christ is risen today.  
—Mrs. D. H. Dugan

## Light As Blossoms

My Risen Lord, I feel thy strong protection;  
I see thee stand among the graves today;  
I am the Way, the Life, the Resurrection.  
I hear thee say,  
And all the burdens I have carried sadly  
Grow light as blossoms on an April day;  
My cross becomes a staff, I journey gladly this Easter Day.  
—Baptist Business, Lake Charles, La.

## If Easter Be Not True...

If Easter be not true,  
Then all the lilies low must lie;  
The Flanders poppies fade and die;  
The spring must lose her fairest bloom  
For Christ were still within the tomb.  
If Easter be not true.

If Easter be not true,  
Then faith must mount on broken wing;  
Then hope no more immortal spring;  
Then matter through we laugh or cry,  
Life prove a phantom, death a dirge.  
If Easter be not true.

If Easter be not true,  
Twere foolishness the cross to bear;  
He dies in vain who suffered there;  
What matter through we laugh or cry,  
Be good or evil, live or die.  
If Easter be not true?

If Easter be not true,  
But it is true, and Christ is risen!  
And mortal spirit from its prison  
Of sin and death with Him may rise!  
Worthwhile the struggle, sure the prize,  
Since Easter, aye, is true! Henry H. Barstow

## I, Too, Shall Rise

The light that shines from  
Joseph's tomb  
No other light can dim  
Because He rose on Easter

day,  
I, too, shall rise with Him.  
—"Echoes from the  
Cove," Panama City,  
Fla.



LIGHTING EFFECTS accentuate a three-dimensional drama of the Resurrection in the parlor room of Green Acres Memorial Gardens cemetery at Scottsdale, Ariz. Hand-carved by Florida Sculptor Paul Cunningham, a Southern Baptist, the fiberglass figures range in height from 11 to 22 inches. (RNS Photo)

## Special Story For Eastertime

GROVE HILL (Special) — The following letter was published in a religious publication. It was a letter from the late Dr. Harry Rimmer to the Rev. Charles Fuller, of the Old-Fashioned Revival Hour, and before the letter ever reached, Dr. Fuller, Dr. Rimmer had already passed from this life.

"Next Sunday you are going to talk about Heaven. I am interested in that land because I have held a clear title to a bit of property there for about 50 years. I did not buy it. It was given to me without price. But the donor purchased it for me at a tremendous sacrifice.

"I am not holding it for speculation. It is not a vacant lot. For more than half a century I have been sending materials up to the greatest architect of the universe who has been building a home for me which will never need remodeling, or repairing because it will suit me perfectly, individually, and will never grow old.

"Termites can never undermine its foundations, for it rests upon the 'Rock of Ages.' Fire cannot destroy it, floods cannot wash it away. No lock or bolts will ever be placed upon the doors. For no vicious person can enter the land where my dwelling stands, almost completed and almost ready for me to enter in and abide in peace eternally without fear of being ejected.

"There is a valley of deep shadow between this place where I live and that to which I shall journey in a very short time. I cannot reach my home in that city without passing through this valley. But I am not afraid because the best friend I ever had went through the same valley long, long ago and drove away its gloom.

"He has stuck with me through thick and thin since we first became acquainted 55 years ago. And I own His promise in printed form never to forsake me or leave me alone.

"He will be with me as I walk through the valley of the shadow, and I shall not lose my way when He is with me. I hope to hear your sermon on Heaven next Sunday, but I have no assurance I shall be able to do so. My ticket to Heaven has no date marked for the journey, no return coupon, and no permit for baggage. Yes, I am ready to go, and I may not be here while you are talking next Sunday evening, but I will meet you there someday. Sign, Harry Rimmer."

Harry Rimmer died before the next Sunday got there.



# BMC's Helen Keller

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prepared to say, 'yes.' In class, she utters her opinions with gusto. If she disagrees with the professor or a fellow student, she may shuffle her feet impatiently as a sign that she has something to say.

Gwen Howell, her former companion, said, "When I think of her, I don't think deaf-blind, I think 'Tommie.' I think of her as a person and an individual, not, except of necessity, as a deaf-blind person. To me, she was always thoughtful. Without occasion I could expect a kind note or a box of candy. She always listened and spoke with reason and judgment as we shared our problems."

Temple Triplett, another former companion, said, "She can't be put into words. She is just Tommie! She has a very good sense of humor, and an amazing memory. She is an inspiration to me."

Her housemother, Mrs. Annie Hardin laughed, "Her room is right above mine and when I hear Tommie's feet

going I chuckle to myself — 'Oh, something has gone wrong with Tommie!' — you see, when she gets aggravated with her typing she stomps her feet! She doesn't give me any trouble — just minds her own business, is always happy and laughing. I think to myself quite often, 'What a girl! What a remarkable girl!'"

The Division for the Blind pays for Tommie's college expenses, (in addition to the companion provided by the Helen Keller scholarship) and for interpreters (students) who read to her from books not in Braille and translate class lectures manually.

During a reading session in Tommie's room, an interpreter types on the Tell-a-Touch while Tommie 'reads' with one finger the Brailled messages emerging from the opposite side of this machine. She can follow at the rate of 80 words per minute. Then on the six-keyed Perkins Brailier, she types her personal study notes. Her research papers she types on a regular typewriter.

When Mrs. Owens first approached Dr. Wilfred Tyler, late president of Blue Mountain College, about enrolling Tommie, he was a bit wary. This was before he met Tommie.

Then Mrs. Owens arranged an interview between the two. At first, both were tense. Dr. Tyler tried to learn to spell a few words into Tommie's hand, and experimented with the word, 'Relax.' Every time, when he would come to the X, his index finger, instead of going in the right direction, would fly straight up. Finally Tommie exclaimed, "You surely are dumb!" This broke the ice and Dr. Tyler laughed heartily. A few minutes later he succeeded in spelling "I love you." She replied, "This is so sudden!" From that time they became friends, and Dr. Tyler declared, "We must have you for a student at all costs."

During college years, Tommie has been a consistent Dean's List student. Mrs. Owens recalls: "When she was in the tenth grade, she was reading college literature and history and finding high school textbooks infantile. You can ask her about almost any author, and she had read his works. She is the most widely read person I have ever known!"

To receive the Helen Keller scholarship, which is handled through the American Foundation for the Blind, Tommie traveled with Mrs. Owens to Syracuse, New York, where she underwent a battery of tests administered by 13 specialists in their own fields including four clinical psychologists. They tested her for a week. She excelled on all tests, making 100 on most. Her I.Q. is above testing, higher than any measuring tests yet devised. She has the mind of a genius—a photographic memory. She states simply, "I have to remember long passages. I have to remember the stories and plays and other literature which I read, for I may never see the books again. The Braille textbooks are returned, and I may never possess them again. The books which are not in Braille may never be read to me again. I MUST remember. I have no choice."

Twenty-five years ago Tommie Goins was born into an humble home in New Albany, Mississippi. In infancy, she was left to the care of her maternal grandmother, Mrs. Della Bell.

One sunny afternoon, I visited Grandma Bell in New Albany. Nobody answered when I rapped on the screen door, but a small black flet and a big, brown-and-white, shaggy dog greeted me with glee. Grandma Bell hurried across the yard from a neighbor's house, calling to the dogs, "Sugar! Honey! Down now!"

Inside the house, rolls of Braille lay about—Tommie's current magazines, I guessed—and goldfish darted about in a glass bowl—Tommie's goldfish, I was sure.

On the wall above Grandma's head was fastened a blue suede motto, etched in silver, "Jesus Never Fails."

Grandma was dressed in a cranberry-colored cotton dress and comfortable low-heeled shoes. Her grey hair was pulled back into a bun. Her unfaltering blue eyes spoke to me of compassion, love, wisdom. I thought, "In



SHOWN IS THE 1966 Chorus of Blue Mountain College, the director, Dr. Brooks Haynes, right on second row, and the accompanist, Edward Ludlow, left on third row. The Chorus will make its spring tour in April.

## BMC Chorus Releases Spring Tour Itinerary

Again, Dr. Brooks Haynes, director, and members of the Blue Mountain College Chorus, will make a spring tour, presenting a program of sacred music and favorite classics in some of the leading Baptist churches and high schools of Mississippi and points out-of-state.

The 1966 spring tour itinerary is as follows:  
Friday evening, April 15, First Church, Rayville, La.; Saturday evening, April 16, First Church, Natchez; Sun-

day morning, April 17, First Church, Crystal Springs, for the special music of the 11:00 a. m. worship hour; Sunday evening, April 17, First Church, Grenada; Monday evening, April 18, Immanuel Church, Cleveland; Tuesday evening, April 19, First Church, Calhoun City; Wednesday evening, April 20, First Church, West Point; Sunday morning, April 24, First Church, Holly Springs; and Sunday evening, April 24, First Church, Memphis, Tenn.

High schools which are included in the 1966 Chorus Tour are as follows:  
April 15, Rayville, Louisi-

ana High School; April 18, Drew High School; April 19, Leflore County High School, Itta Bena; April 20, Eupora High School; and April 21, Okolona High School.  
Included in the tour program are Psalm 1, composed by Dr. Brooks Haynes, the director, and an original composition, written especially for the tour, by a senior music major, Miss Temple Triplett, Newton. This is the second composition arranged for a Blue Mountain Chorus tour program by Miss Triplett, the first having been used in 1964.  
G. Edward Ludlow, BMC professor, is accompanist.

want to go to graduate school. Then I would like to be a writer, or a social worker, or perhaps a college professor." With her determination, she can do whatever she chooses to do.

She says, "The individual must believe that since God saw fit to create him, surely there is a purpose for his existence, surely the Great God who created all things will enable him to fulfill his purpose."

Tommie is modest, abhors publicity, and wants to be thought of as a normal, useful human being, which in fact she is.

As Mrs. Owens gave her honest opinion of Tommie, I agreed wholeheartedly: "She has eyes that do not see, yet she has deep perception. Her ears do not hear but she has great understanding. She is a young woman of ability, achievement, poise, and charm, who measures up to high standards scholastically, socially, and spiritually."

Of the story of Tommie and her grandmother, here is the miracle:

Grandma Bell has little formal education. In awe, I asked her, "How do you talk with Tommie?" She answered, matter-of-factly, "I just talk to her in my normal voice and she understands me." Mrs. Owens added that Tommie does not actually hear Grandma, but picks up the vibrations of her familiar voice, and thereby knows what she says. She can do this with no one else, except on rare occasions, with Mrs. Owens.

The New Albany Lion's Club adopted Tommie as their "little sister," and through college have given her clothes and spending money.

During Tommie's early years, she had unsuccessful eye surgery. At about age six she started losing her hearing, and her physical development was slow. She entered Mississippi School for the Blind at age eleven, and in ten years completed the full curriculum. By the time she was 12, her hearing was entirely gone. For one year, she took specific training in vibration and manual communication at the Alabama School for Deaf-Blind in Talladega.

Efforts made to secure further training at established schools for deaf-blind were unsuccessful, so special classes were taught for her at Mississippi School for the Blind in Jackson. There she was the first student ever to deliver the graduation address for a class.

While living in Jackson, Tommie was a member of Broadmoor Baptist Church. Since enrolling at Blue Mountain, she has been a member of Lowrey Memorial Baptist Church. Her grandmother is a Baptist and faithfully through the years went with her to Sunday School and church.

Quoting Psalm 91:2, she says this is her favorite Scripture verse: "He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."

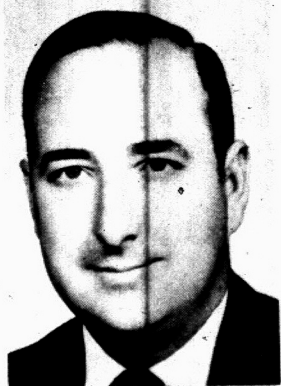
What are her plans for the future? She says, "Where my faltering footsteps will go, I am not sure. But I definitely

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EARL KELLY, pastor of First Baptist Church, Holly Springs, and president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, will be the speaker for the first of the three Training Union weeks at Gulfshore noted above. Speakers for the other two weeks are Jess Moody of West Palm Beach, Florida, and Kenneth Chafin of Southern Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky.

### Youth Week Reports

- HERMANVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH, Union Association. Mrs. Thelma C. Barland, Training Union Director, reports two professions of faith and ten rededications during the week.
- TOXISH BAPTIST CHURCH, Pontotoc Association. Mrs. George W. Owens, Training Union Director, reported that twenty-six Intermediates and Young People participated.
- CLEAR CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH, Lafayette Association. Four youth pastors served this pastorless church during Youth Week. These were Edwin Bryson, James Redding, Sammy Waller and Mark Briscoe. They spoke during the worship service on the closing Sunday. Don Waller served as Minister of Music.
- STRINGER BAPTIST CHURCH, Jasper Association. Pastor Albert C. McLand complimented his young people for their acceptance of responsibility and reported plans for a Youth Revival during the summer for the church.
- FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, CLARA, Wayne Association. Reported by Pastor Burl T. Patterson.
- BENTON BAPTIST CHURCH, Yazoo Association. Harry F. Jones, pastor, reported that of the local young people ninety-five percent participated during the week which culminated in the largest Sunday School attendance in six months.
- HOULKA BAPTIST CHURCH, Chickasaw Association. Training Union Director William A. Collums reported.
- BARTON BAPTIST CHURCH, George Association. Horace Glass, pastor, reported twelve rededications and three professions of faith during their Youth Week observance.

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## THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON— The Victory Of The Church

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### Sunday School Attendance Training Union Attendance Additions To The Church

APRIL 3, 1966		
Aberdeen, 1st	381	127
Belzoni, Calvary	133	136
Biloxi, Emmanuel	354	143
Brookhaven, 1st	693	219
Cleveland		
Morrison Chapel	133	60
Clinton		
Morrison Heights	473	265
Columbus:		
First	881	186
Fairview	389	121
Concord (Noxubee)	71	23
Crystal Springs, 1st	511	164
Florence, 1st	313	106
Forest	357	109
Greenwood, North	389	121
Grenada, First	620	226
Gulfport, 1st	827	194
Handaboro	413	123
Hattiesburg, 38th Ave.	278	184
Hickory	146	63
Iuka	300	112
Jackson:		
Crestwood	358	155
Raymond Road	118	80
West Jackson	441	167
Midway	621	193
First	1440	310
Robinson Street	318	152
Forest Hill	250	81
Broadmoor	148	63
Briarwood Drive	325	148
Alta Woods	1172	375
Calvary	1409	524
Mission	55	32
Woodville Heights	282	99
Van Winkle	590	241
Highland	367	168
Daniel	635	226
McLaurin Heights	360	194
Lakeview Mission	56	2
Parkway	1061	369
Southside	365	141
Oak Forest	621	212
Woodland Hills	742	236
Ridgecrest	884	256
Hillcrest	620	229
Kosciusko:		
Parkway	200	108
First	548	167
Main	147	2
Maple St.	32	20
Laurel:		
Second Avenue	333	133
Mission	113	
Highland	431	164
First	431	164
Plainway	187	110
Trinity	145	119
Maple St.	444	198
Bethlehem	200	116
Wildwood	311	126
Leakesville, 1st	163	84
Lexington, 1st	228	79
Long Beach, 1st	528	115
Main	495	85
Mission	35	30
Ludlow	70	30
Macon, 1st	181	74
Mayersville	80	23
McComb, 1st	486	107
McComb, Navilla	300	159
McComb, South	205	92
McComb, 1st	496	107
Meadville, 1st	195	91
Mountain Creek		
(Rankin)	84	41
Pascagoula, Eastlawn	348	156
Pearl	365	159
Pearson	208	88
Pascagoula, 1st	721	214
Main	675	
O.C. Nursing Home	12	
Martin Bluff	34	
Petal-Harvey	321	82
Main	297	
Memorial Drive	24	
Poplar Flat (Winston)	137	76
Rosedale, 1st	165	83
Ruth	47	26
Springfield (Scott)	104	47
Sharon, First (Jones)	148	65
Star	184	111
Starkville, 1st	106	43
Sunshine (Rankin)	163	99
Tupelo, Calvary	635	206
Union, 1st	300	84
Vicksburg		
Bowmar Avenue	413	216
Trinity	191	97
West Point, 1st	579	229

The Methodist Board of Hospitals and Homes, Dallas, Texas, has reported that a record 1,921,055 persons were helped in 1965 by the 280 health and welfare institutions of The Methodist Church.

By Clifton J. Allen  
1 Corinthians 15;  
Ephesians 1:5-23;  
Revelation 7:9-17

The church must live in a world of death, but the church is eternally alive. It is opposed by all the forces of evil, but these will never be able to overcome it. The victory of the church is assured because it is the body of Christ; he lives in it. His resurrection was the confirmation of his conquest of death, and it is the guarantee that his church will have its consummation in glory.

### The Lesson Explained CHRIST IS RISEN (1 Cor. 15:20-23)

The victory of the church rests on the fact that Christ is risen from the dead. The absolutely certain consequence of this fact is that every person will be raised from the dead. The resurrection will mean the ultimate consummation of Christ's purpose for his church. Paul draws a contrast between Christ and Adam. Through Adam death entered into the necessary experience of the entire human race; but through Christ the reign of death will be put to an end. All persons will be made alive through him. For the Christian, after death, there is conscious fellowship with Christ. There will be a resurrection of the body, a body appropriate to the realm of glory.

### HE MUST REIGN (1 Cor. 15:24-26)

Paul declares that with the return of Christ the end will come. World history will come to an end. With the end of time, the consummation of the kingdom will come, when Christ will have delivered up the kingdom to the Father. Christ will accomplish the purpose for which universal sovereignty was given to him. This does not mean that Christ will then cease to rule. It simply means that he will bring to a triumphant conclusion the present age. When the reign of death is forever conquered through his second coming and through the resurrection of the dead,

then it will be appropriate for the Son to be in a special way subject to God, that God and God alone "may be all in all."

We are to see the church in the light of the sovereignty of the risen Christ. All the enemies of the church are ultimately subject to the power and judgment of Christ. The church now is subject to vicious assaults by its enemies, to cruel persecution, and to moral weakness and spiritual infidelity on the part of its members. But Christ is reigning in this world of sin, and he is living in his church; so that the powers of evil and death cannot overcome the church.

### THE CHURCH WILL LIVE ON (Rev. 7:9-10, 13-17)

The writer of Revelation was given a vision of the future glory of the church. He saw an innumerable multitude of all nations and tribes and peoples and tongues. The redemption of Christ reaches out to all who will receive him. The church in glory is perfectly cleansed from all the signs of sin so that the redeemed can stand before the throne and before the Lamb and offer ceaseless and

acceptable praise to God and to the Lamb. The writer was privileged to see those who had come out of great tribulation, many of them martyrs for their faith. Their suffering has been vindicated. They now participate in the victory of Christ. They serve God continually. They enjoy perfect fellowship with the God continually. They enjoy perfect fellowship with the One on the throne. Their state is one of perfect bliss, free from all the privations and hardships of human experience.

The church will live on. Death cannot defeat or overcome it. There is life after death, infinitely better for the redeemed than the life before death. The future will not mean mere existence in idleness and ease but service and praise to God and to Christ.

### Truths to Live By

The church faces defeat and victory.—This may seem to be a paradox. But it is important to distinguish between the church in its organized, institutional expression and the church in its nature as the body of Christ. A church in a given locality may have

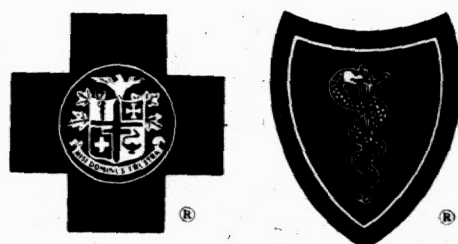


TEMPLE CHURCH, Forest will dedicate the educational unit and its new chapel in special ceremonies on Sunday, April 17, at the regular eleven o'clock worship hour. The public and all former members of the church are invited to the service and for dinner on the ground. The church now has a property value of more than one hundred thousand dollars and its membership has doubled during the past five and one-half years. Rev. Sam Waggener is pastor of the Church, J. N. Tate, chairman of the deacons, and Wyatt Measells, chairman of the Building Committee.

tragic breaches in its fellowship or may suffer contamination from the evil around it or may become dull in vision and faith. Thus it experiences defeat. Churches are destroyed by war, driven underground by oppression, or scattered by famine or flood. But the church in its full and complete sense, the church which is the body of Christ indwelt by his mighty Spirit, the church which Christ declared he would build, cannot be

wiped out, cannot be overcome. The church in time should strive harder to approximate the church in eternity.—Christ loved the church and gave himself for it that he might sanctify and cleanse it, "that he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing." But how different the church is now, that is, how different the lives of its members! How utterly unworthy for churches to com-

promise with wickedness or practice discrimination or yield to pride or lose a sense of world mission or fail to be concerned for sound doctrine or lose a burning compassion for evangelism, righteousness and justice! Let churches be challenged by the glory of their eternal destiny and be captured by the imperative of their present mission. Let churches never forget that Christ is in their midst. He is their Lord.



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### Church Building Conference

April 12, 1966  
First Baptist Church  
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9:30 A. M. to 12:00 Noon,  
and  
1:15 P. M. to 3:30 P. M.

A PRESENTATION OF A CHURCH BUILDING SPACE PROBE AND A SPACE CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM

Presentation by

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Dennis E. Conniff and Ellis B. Evans  
Jackson, Mississippi Nashville, Tennessee

### SPECIAL CONFERENCES

Will be held at 4:00 P.M. and during the evening following the program session with Dr. Crowder and Mr. Evans, representatives of the Church Architecture Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee. Appointments should be scheduled in advance by writing to Bryant M. Cummings, Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi 39205.

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Now is the time for YWAs to make plans to go to Ridgecrest for the YWA Conference, June 16-22. Mississippi YWAs will be leaving for Ridgecrest by bus on June 14 and will visit several places of interest along the way. We will return to Jackson on June 23. The cost of the trip will be:

Transportation	\$35.00
Motels - hotels en route	14.00
Registration fee	3.00
Ridgecrest (room and board)	25.00

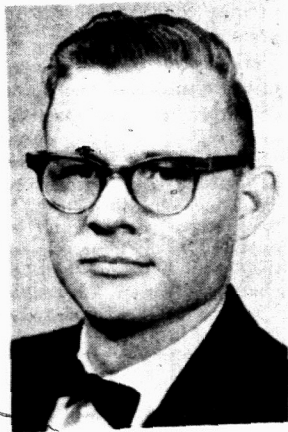
\$77.00

The registration fee of \$3.00 should be sent to Virginia Johnson, Box 530, Jackson just as soon as possible and the deadline for reservations as well as the balance is June 5.





**THREE MEN** of Bethesda Church, Hinds County were recently ordained as deacons. They were Joe Ogletree, Nelson Barron, and William Roberts. Rev. A. L. Courtney Jr., pastor of the Terry Church, delivered the ordination sermon. Rev. Charles Rogers is pastor. Pictured above are the deacons and their wives.



Rev. Kenneth Pickens

### Cato (Rankin) Calls Pastor

Rev. Kenneth Pickens has resigned the pastorate of Mt. Zion Church, Rankin County, to accept the pastorate of Cato Church, Rankin County. He had been at Mt. Zion for four years and nine months.

Under his leadership, the Mt. Zion congregation built a new church plant and a new pastorium. Offerings increased from \$4600 to \$8400. The church with 84 members, had 12 baptisms last year.

A native of Tupelo, Mr. Pickens is a graduate of Mississippi College, now enrolled at New Orleans Seminary.

He and his wife, the former Martha Atkins of Tupe-

### Paraguay

Baptists in San Lorenzo, Paraguay, publicized the dedication of their new church building with a shower of leaflets dropped from an airplane and a parade of cars, motorcycles, and several hundred marchers who sang choruses both in Spanish and in Guarani, an Indian language widely spoken in Paraguay. The dedication was followed by a week of Vacation Bible school (total enrollment: 87) and evangelistic meetings. Twenty persons professed faith in Christ during the week.



Price Hardee

**WILDWOOD CHURCH**, Laurel, announces they have employed Miss Nevalyn Price and Miss Ellen Hardee as full time staff members to play the organ and piano for the church. Both Miss Price and Miss Hardee are from Ellisville. The pastor is Rev. J. C. Hamilton.

lo, have four daughters, Debbie, 14; Shirley, 13; Trudie, 10; and Connie, 2½.

### Clara Presents Easter Cantata

The Choir of First Church, Clara, will present a cantata of the victorious Savior, "Hallelujah! What A Savior!" on Sunday night, April 10 at 7. This cantata is under the direction of Mrs. Burl Patterson, with Melba Ann Sheaker as pianist.

Mrs. Roland Dean is the narrator. Rev. Burl T. Patterson is pastor. The public is invited.

### Hickory Plans Sunrise Service

The Baptists and Methodists of Hickory will meet together for a joint Easter sunrise service, April 10 at 6 a. m., in the sanctuary of the Methodist church.

Rev. Nash Hamill, Methodist pastor, will be in charge, reading the scripture and prayer. Rev. H. L. Davis, Baptist pastor, will bring the message. Members of both churches will sing in the choir.

### Shubuta Church Licenses Preacher

Shubuta Church has licensed Ronald G. Hankins (pictured) to the gospel ministry. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Hankins of Shubuta.



Mr. Hankins graduated from Zack Huggins High School at Quitman, attended Mississippi State University, where he was active in athletics, for one year, and is now enrolled at Mississippi College. Later he plans to study at the seminary.

He was licensed during the interim pastorate of Rev. William Randolph. Rev. Roy Chandler, retired minister, was guest speaker.

Mr. Hankins recently preached at Shubuta for both morning and evening services.

College in Birmingham, is the former Margaret Ann Davis of Pensacola, Florida. The Denhams have two daughters, ages 13 and 10, and one son, age 2.

## Come Alive! It's Easter

By George F. Lee, Supt. of Missions, Lawrence-Marion-Walthall

"I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me." Galatians 2:20.

The atmosphere of the community becomes a little churchy, children delightfully gather colored eggs and adults enjoy the sentiment of the season—this is Easter, the twentieth century.

Aside from a great big fuss in religious history about which day was to be observed as Easter, this special event is usually marred only by icy or rainy weather. Those who planned to wear an old hat anyway are not disturbed.

How will you observe this Easter season? If you especially appreciate the spiritual message of Easter, the paraphernalia of Easter tradition has its limitations. Paul of Tarsus captured a dual significance in Easter in saying, "I live, yet not I, but Christ liveth in me." Easter was observed in living—"Christ living in me."

The angelic announcement, the women's report, the good news verified—an Empty Tomb—O Happy Morning!—and Thomas' response to a risen Savior: "My Lord and my God." This was Easter, the first century.

The apostles knew the living Lord and so lived that a Biblical history is named, "The Acts of the Apostles." This title is only half the story in view of what Paul said. These acts of the apostles represented Christ living in them. This same Jesus who went about doing good in Galilee, ministering to the outcasts in Samaria, boldly declaring the truth in the streets of Jerusalem—He is not dead, but is yet living in continuation of this same ministry through His followers. The apostles observed His resurrection in living—"Christ living in them."

You can observe Easter acceptably in your community with a new hat, colored eggs and a seasonal visit to the church. But Easter is not in buildings, institutions, rituals, creeds or a certain day of the year. Easter is observed in living. Do you have life in Christ that you may in reality observe Easter?

Paul pleaded with the Romans that they present themselves unto God as a living sacrifice. Enough of silent, actionless, thoughtless, prayerless, dead sacrifice, for as Jesus said, "He is not the God of the dead, but the God of the living." Elijah Parish Lovejoy wrote upon accepting Christ as His Savior, "I was bold and dauntless in the service of sin; it is not fitting that I should be less so in the service of my Redeemer." You, too, can truly come alive in this Christian generation through faith in Christ who loves you and who gave Himself for you.

### CUSTODIAN AT MARYLAND BAPTIST BUILDING BEATEN

BALTIMORE, Md. (BP)—Albert Bundy, 67-year-old veteran custodian of the Maryland Baptist Building in Luther-ville, Md., was robbed and beaten at the entrance of his apartment building here by three teen age thugs.

The teenagers took 35 cents from his hand, all the money he had at the time, and kicked Bundy repeatedly in the face after knocking him to the sidewalk.

Two men standing nearby were either unaware or took no notice of the incident, reported the Maryland Baptist.

Mrs. Bundy, hearing her husband's cries for help, rushed to the street from their second floor apartment as the attackers fled. A neighbor called police.

### Liberty Deacons Pay Tribute To Frank H. Causey

The deacons of Liberty Church have adopted a resolution expressing their esteem for Frank H. Causey, who died October 4, 1965.

Frank Causey was a faithful deacon, member, and song leader of Liberty Church. Born in 1893, he moved his church membership from Providence Church (Amite) to Liberty in 1920. He was ordained a deacon in 1951.

Mr. Causey was wounded in his right ankle during a battle in France in World War I.

In January, 1920, he became circuit clerk of Amite County, and in the same month he married Miss Ida Butler. They reared seven children, all musicians. (Mr. Causey was a musician of note.) Their eldest son, Rev. J. M. Causey, is a Baptist pastor at Denham Springs, La.



Pat H. Gulleage Joins Staff At 1st, Louisville

First Church, Louisville, announces the addition of Pat H. Gulleage to the church staff. Mr. Gulleage will serve as minister of education, following the recent resignation of Paul Harrell, who has assumed duties with the State Brotherhood Department.

A native of McComb, Miss., Mr. Gulleage attended Mississippi College, and holds degrees of B. S. E. from Texas Christian University, and M. R. E. from Southwestern Seminary.

His service includes that of Chaplain's Assistant in the Armed Forces during World War II, and Director of Religious Education in a number of churches in Texas, Virginia, Georgia, and Mississippi. Mr. Gulleage goes to Louisville from Coffeeville Church, where he has served as Minister of Music and Education. He and his family have resided in Grenada for the past eleven years.

Joining Mr. Gulleage in Louisville at the close of the present school term are his wife, the former Ruth Kirk of Grenada, and their son, Kirk, who is a high school senior. Rev. Vernon May is pastor.

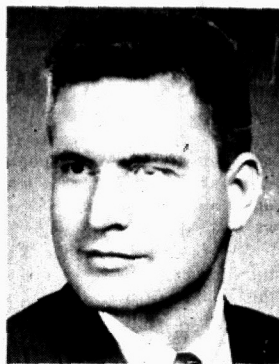
### Fire Damages Carthage Church

Sunday morning, March 27, a fire was discovered in the educational building of First Church, Carthage. Fireman fought the blaze over an hour before bringing it under control. There was considerable fire, water, and smoke damage to the building.



**CLARKE TOURNAMENT WINNER**—Donnie Phillips, a licensee to the ministry from Court Street Church, Montgomery, Ala., and a student at Clarke College, took first place honors in the Better Speakers' Tournament, held at Forest Park Church, Montgomery, on March 5. He will represent his home association in the District Training Union convention, to be held at Wetumpka, Ala., on April 15.

**Ecuador**  
La Cruz (The Cross), published by the Baptist Spanish Publishing House, El Paso, Tex., recently presented the Christian viewpoint in a display of books on communism



### Dr. D. G. Manuel Florida's Fourth Largest Church Calls Mississippian

Dr. Donald G. Manuel, native Mississippian, has accepted the call of the Allapattah Church, Miami, Florida to become the fifth pastor of Florida's fourth largest congregation. The 3700-member church has been a leader in Southern Baptist Sunday School and Training Union work and has been a leading church in baptisms in that state.

Dr. Manuel was born in Pass Christian, and was ordained by the First Church of that city. He received the B.A. degree from Mississippi College graduating with honors. He earned his B.D. degree from Southern Seminary, and received his Doctor of Theology degree from New Orleans Seminary in 1965. While in Mississippi, Dr. Manuel was pastor of Riverside Church in Long Beach, Harmony Church in Winston County, and began and was first pastor of Bay Vista Church in Biloxi. He goes to Allapattah Church from a successful three-year ministry at the North Pompano Church, Pompano Beach, Florida.

Mrs. Manuel is the former Martha Clark of Ruth, an honor graduate of Mississippi College. She attended Southern Seminary and New Orleans Seminary with her husband. They are parents of three children, Kathy, 9, Donna, 6, and Clark, 3.

### Landes Accepts Birmingham Post

ABILENE, Texas (BP)—James H. Landes has resigned as president of Hardin-Simmons University here to become pastor of First Baptist Church of Birmingham, Alabama.

He is to assume his pastorate at Birmingham April 1.

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## Revival Results

**Pearson (Rankin):** March 21-27; Rev. Calvin Phelps, pastor of Chalmette Church in New Orleans, evangelist; Benjie McBride, in charge of music; 6 by baptism and several rededications; Rev. Billy Joe Pierce, pastor.

**Centerville Church, Centerville:** March 13-18; Dr. Robert Hughes, full-time evangelist, Pensacola, Fla., evangelist; J. T. Taylor, Daniel Memorial Church, Jackson, in charge of music; 19 additions; 13 on profession of faith; Rev. Howard Brister, pastor.

**South McComb:** March 21-27; Rev. W. E. Johnson, Director of Religious Activities, Louisiana College, evangelist; Donald Brown, minister of music, First Church, Batesville, Singer, 10 for baptism, 8 by letter, and rededications. Rev. David Millican, pastor.

**Richland Church, Rankin County:** March 16-27; the Evangelist was Rev. Barney Walker, Sr., and the music was directed by Harry Tillery; 28 professions of faith and 3 additions by letter; Rev. Ray Campbell, pastor.

**Fellowship Church (Jones):** March 20-25; Rev. W. N. Johnson, (pictured) pastor of Friendship Church (Jones), evangelist; Howard Walters, song leader; Debbie Robinson and Keith Culpepper, pianists; one surrendering for special service; 4 professions of faith, for baptism; three by letter; 30 rededications; Rev. R. N. Smith, pastor.



**Grandview, Jackson (Rankin):** March 20-25; 12 additions; Rev. Carl Savell, Pelahatchie, evangelist; Bob Pollard, Jackson, music director; Rev. Bill Beam, pastor.

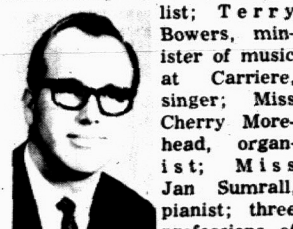
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**Main Street, Hattiesburg:** March 20-27; Eddie Martin, evangelist; Dr. John E. Barnes, Jr., pastor; three by letter; 36 for baptism.

**Colonial Heights, Jackson:** March 20-27; Rev. Edward R. Bryon, Clinton, evangelist; Jack E. Burnham, minister of music at Colonial Heights, singer; Rev. Sam Mason, pastor; 14 professions of faith; four additions by letter; 21 rededications.

**First Church, Carriere:** March 21-27; Rev. Wendell A. Gilmore (pictured), pastor of Westwood, Meridian, evangelist; Terry Bowers, minister of music at Carriere, singer; Miss Cherry Morehead, organist; Miss Jan Sumrall, pianist; three professions of faith; 34 rededications; one addition by letter; 243 in Sunday school and 122 in Training Union on closing Sunday. The pastor, Rev. Wm Gary Smith, states that attendance for the worship service Sunday morning, March 27, was the largest he has seen present for any occasion.



**Tangipahoa (Pike):** March 25, 26, 27; youth revival; Buddy Wagner, Mississippi College, evangelist; Fred Hawkins, Mississippi College, in charge of music; eight rededications; one profession of faith; 13 commitments to serve Christ in continued revival efforts; one seeking God's will for her life; Rev. Winfred R. Lowery, pastor.

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**FIRST CHURCH**, Lexington will present the Easter drama, "Were You There?" on Sunday night, April 10, directed by the minister of music, Bob Moore. The adult choir will be in charge of the music. Pictured above are the men who will be in the drama: Mike Lammons, the Centurion, Edwin White as John, Tandy Stepp as Caiaphas, Calvin Moore as Simon, Nathan Aldridge as Judas, John Barlow as Pilate, and Rev. Frank Gunn as Peter.

## Calvary Church, Newton, Is Constituted

Sunday afternoon, April 3, First Church Mission, Newton, was constituted into Calvary Baptist Church.

The mission began Jan. 1, 1961. At that time, plans for a mission had been thwarted due to a lack of physical facilities. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Weaver (Mr. Weaver being a deacon) offered rent-free a vacant six-room dwelling in which to meet. At that first service, there were 17 in Sunday school and 19 in the worship hour. This has steadily grown until now there are 192 members with an average attendance in Sunday School of 94.

In a secular book store in Quito, Ecuador.

Three copies of the Baptist publication were prominent in the center of a large window that displayed many works on communism, both pro and con, reports Southern Baptist Missionary Stanley D. Stamps. "I was struck with the urgent need for Christians to combat the Communist menace through literature," comments Mr. Stamps, who directs the Baptist book store in Quito.

It was November 14, 1962, that the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board approved a recommendation of President W. L. Compere and the trustees of Clarke College to deed three acres of land located on Ford Street in Newton to the First Baptist Church for a mission building site.

During these years, Dr. John F. Carter of the Clarke College faculty served as pastor without salary, until May, 1964. Rev. Elton Moore served as interim pastor for a few months, and August 10, 1964, Rev. Homer Worsham was called as pastor of the mission.

The sponsoring church, First, Newton, met with them and worked out details. The new structure was put up in 1964, and was expanded in 1965, to have a nice plant completely heated and air-conditioned.

Last Sunday afternoon the program was moderated by Rev. Joseph N. Triplett, pastor of the sponsoring church. The music was under the direction of Dr. Edwin McNeely, retired music instructor of Southwestern Sem-

inary, who lives in Newton, and is the congregation director at the mission and now the church. The invocation was led by Joe Baker, who has served on the mission committee. The history of the mission was read by Mrs. Bobby Eason. The resolution to organize was presented by B. E. Waggoner, who began with the mission as Sunday school superintendent and has continued throughout its history.

Greetings were brought to the new church from Roy Kuykendall of First Church, from the moderator of the Newton Association, Rev. Edward C. Smith; from the Mississippi Baptist Convention by Dr. Foy Rogers, secretary of the Cooperative Missions Department, who presented to the pastor of the new church a certificate of recognition, and also to First Church. The prayer for the new church was led by Dr. C. H. Melton, superintendent of missions, Newton Association.

The new church called its pastor, Rev. Homer Worsham.